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Council could make it an offence to feed seagulls

RESIDENTS and visitors to Lyme Regis have been asked not to feed "nuisance" seagulls ahead of this year's summer season, in attempt to deter them from stealing food.

It could soon become an offence to feed the gulls, as West Dorset District Council has included it in its draft Public Spaces Protection Order.

The town council has described the birds as a "major issue" following increased reports of the birds stealing food from beach-goers and outside eating areas.

The latest incident took place on Saturday when a young girl was left in tears after being bitten on the finger by a gull while eating on the beach.

Four-year-old Savannah, from Seaton, was visiting Lyme Regis with family and friends, and was enjoying a doughnut on the beach when a gull swooped down and tried to snatch it, leaving her with a cut on her finger.

The youngster's mum, Marie Bower, said she thinks the gulls are encouraged to steal food by those that voluntarily feed them.

She commented: "It's not the first time it has happened to us. Parents can do as much as they can but the gulls do seem a lot more vicious now."

"I know there's signs saying not to feed them but some people still do and I think that encourages them. I think more awareness needs to be raised on the issue."

As part of its Seagull Action Plan, Lyme Regis Town Council last year installed new signs warning residents and visitors not to feed the gulls, saying that it encourages them to steal food, makes them aggressive, causes a nuisance and affects their health.

Councillor John Broom, vice-chairman of the Town Management and Highways Committee, said: "The council recognises seagulls are a major issue in Lyme Regis and a nuisance to residents, businesses and visitors. That's why the council made the tackling of seagulls one of its objectives and committed ongoing funding to the project."

"The first phase of the project involved producing information boards, which are displayed along the seafront, stickers to go inside takeaway food containers, and posters to be displayed in food outlet windows and at local accommodation providers."

"The council believes prevention is better than cure and, as such, the plan is focused around educating the public. The campaign

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■ **WARNING: Lyme Regis Town Council installed signs along the seafront last year, discouraging residents and visitors from feeding the gulls**

urges people not to feed the seagulls and to properly dispose of litter and food waste.

"The second phase of the campaign is to raise awareness about the measures property owners can take in relation to the birds nesting. An information leaflet will be delivered to every address in the DT7 area in the next few weeks. This includes information on the law relating to wild birds, and ways to deter seagulls from nesting on property."

"In addition to public education and publicity, the town council approached West Dorset District Council to explore whether a public spaces protection order (PSPO) could be made, which would make it an offence to feed seagulls in the town."

"The district council took on board the council's concerns and has included this measure in its draft PSPO. The town council has given its full support to the PSPO in relation to feeding birds and hopes this will be introduced in Lyme Regis in the near future."

"In the meantime, the council would urge all residents, businesses and visitors to take heed of the advice which is available to help control the seagull population, and to hopefully prevent incidents such as the unfortunate one that occurred on the beach at the weekend."

All species of gull are protected under the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 and the

Wildlife (Northern Ireland) Order 1985. This makes it illegal to intentionally injure or kill any gull or damage or destroy an active nest or its contents.

As breeding season approaches, the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds offers the following advice on seagulls: "Where nesting gulls pose a real risk to public health, the RSPB accepts that measures to prevent them nesting may be necessary."

"The most effective measures involve reducing the availability of food and reducing the attractiveness of nest-sites. However, this is not an instant solution, and requires planning and action well ahead of the nesting season."

"The RSPB favours non-lethal solutions and believes that gulls should be killed only as a last resort, especially since several species are of conservation concern."

"It is best to avoid widespread feeding of gulls where problems could result. Some local authorities are considering by-laws to prevent the feeding of gulls in certain areas. To be effective, however, councils also need to ensure that landfill tips are well-managed and that streets are regularly cleaned."

"There appear to be fewer problems where local authorities provide wheeliebins than in areas where rubbish is collected in plastic sacks, which are easily punctured by cats, dogs, gulls and foxes."

"It is preferable to leave nesting birds undisturbed, especially since the populations of some gulls are declining. However, if there is a genuine reason for not having roof-nesting gulls, it is better to deter them rather than to destroy them or their nests once they have started breeding."

"A simple system of wires on a frame (30 cm deep) can be fitted into the area the birds are using, for example, between the chimney pots."

This prevents gulls from landing and folding their wings. On flat roofs, wires can be stretched and held in place with brackets, again 30 cm high, though this becomes difficult if the roof is large."



■ **FOUR-year-old Savannah, from Seaton, was upset after a seagull bit her finger while she was eating on Lyme Regis beach**

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JULIA Hope Brightwell lives in East Devon but teaches Biodanza – meaning the Dance of Life – across the area, including in Burton Bradstock, and she will soon be starting at the Dorset School of Biodanza in Bridport. Originally from Lancaster, she was head-hunted and moved to the south as a textile studio manager in her early 20s, later moving to Dartmoor as a Montessori nursery teacher and eventually to East Devon. As well as teaching Biodanza, Julia is also a part-time finance officer for a charity in Exeter and she enjoys painting and selling her work.

● WHEN did you first take an interest in dance?

I have always loved music and dancing. In my teens and twenties, I went to three discos a week just to dance and get lost in the music. My secondary school dance teacher wanted me to come to her after-school ballet classes, but I thought I was too fat so didn't go, even though she asked me three separate times!

● WHAT is Biodanza?

Biodanza translates as the Dance of Life. It is an international system danced worldwide, created by Rolando Toro Araneda who was nominated for the Nobel Peace Prize. Rolando believed if everyone danced Biodanza there would not longer be wars and cruelty, as it joins people together, promotes celebration and acceptance of others, and opens the heart.

● HOW did you come to teach Biodanza?

I have enjoyed many types of dance - Ceroc, 5 Rhythms, expressive movement, but it was only when I found Biodanza in 2008 that I knew this was what I would train in. I did three wonderful years of training, which was one of the best periods of my life, before teaching others in 2011. First on Dartmoor, then Dartington and, after moving to East Devon, I now teach in Colyton, Colyford and Burton Bradstock. I still teach my original group at Bovey Tracey too - a one-day workshop once a month.

Last year I completed my Didactic training so I can now teach people to become teachers themselves. I start with the Dorset School of Biodanza



in May with the director, Mike Skilbeck, to welcome people on this journey of reconnection to the intelligence and joy of the body with its emotional and instinctual intelligence. The first two years are mainly experiential, then if people want to teach others they continue into the third year which gives them all they need to do this.

● HOW can it benefit people?

Biodanza claims to work with the genetic potential that we are born with, but which sometimes gets shaped in a less free or natural way through our upbringing and life.

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Through the various dances and movement exercises, these different aspects have a chance to be expressed and in some cases re-emerge.

Biodanza is based on enjoyment and has two parts; a vital section and a relaxing section. In this age of busy, busy where adrenalin is constantly being triggered, there is little opportunity to experience the opposite - relaxation where the hormone acetyl choline is released.

Personally for me, I had very low vitality and found groups difficult, preferring one-to-ones because of my sensitivity. Biodanza continues to improve my resilience and enjoyment of life and I am fine in groups now.

I even gave a presentation at my qualification time to over 50 people and was fine. A video of this is on my website www.joysofdance.co.uk, where I also share my poems and art inspired by the three-year Biodanza training.

On a weekly basis, with everything that is going on in the world at large, which can be distressing and challenging, Biodanza through the music and dance restores me to my happiness and belief in the basic goodness in people.

● WHAT do you enjoy doing in your spare time?

I love nature and animals; painting, especially portraits; and travel.

● WHAT do you like about the local area?

East Devon is very beautiful. I love seeing egrets and herons from my window. I like that it is close to other great places such as Lyme Regis and the coastal walk. Being near the sea is a tonic.

Find out more about Biodanza and Julia's classes at www.joysofdance.co.uk

Dementia UK fundraiser

OUR recent feature supporting Dementia UK raised £123.48 for the cause.

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West Dorset's local plan review includes land for 140 new houses in Lyme Regis



■ DISTRICT councillor for the Lyme Regis area, George Symonds, pictured at the consultation event on West Dorset's local plan review last week

A REVIEW of the join local plan for West Dorset, Weymouth and Portland went on show at the Woodmead Halls last week, showing two potential new development sites for Lyme Regis.

The local plan, adopted in October 2015, sets out a long-term planning strategy to meet future development needs. It covers important issues such as where housing could be built and what infrastructure may be needed.

It also looks at how the environment can be protected and how future developments can be made more sustainable.

The councils have now embarked on a review of the plan, as recommended by an inspector in his report on the local plan examination, to identify additional housing land capable of meeting housing need to 2036. Through the local plan review, the councils will also consider revisions to other policies in response to changes in national policy and legislation.

In Lyme Regis, two additional sites for potential housing development have been put forward for consideration - Timber Vale Caravan Park on Charmouth Road; and land behind Talbot Road and Colway Lane, joining the bottom of the Woodberry Copse development - currently under construction - and running down to the river. The caravan park has been put forward as a potential site for 80 new houses, while the land behind Colway Lane could accommodate 60.

These and other proposals in the local plan review are currently under public consultation, and representatives from West Dorset District Council attending the exhibition in Lyme Regis last week

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emphasised that no decisions had yet been made.

The review states that the topography, Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty, land stability issues and the coast "act together to limit opportunities for development in Lyme Regis" and several potential development sites have already been ruled out for these reasons, including land east of Charmouth Road, west of Lyme Regis and at Ware.

The council is now asking four questions specifically relating to Lyme Regis in the local plan review:

- Lyme Regis has grown at an average rate of 15 dwellings per year over the last 5 years. Given the constrained nature of the Lyme Regis area, should we plan for a lower level of growth or maintain the current level of growth?
- Are there any additional issues related to the development of the site options?
- What are the infrastructure requirements for the development of the site options, individually or in combination with others?
- Do you agree that the vast majority of the additional growth proposed for the period up to 2036 should be accommodated at Dorchester, Weymouth (including Chickerell and Littlemoor), Beaminster, Bridport, Lyme Regis, Portland, Sherborne and Crossways?

The public consultation will remain open until April 3rd and more information is available at the website www.dorsetforyou.gov.uk/local-plan-review

COUNCIL DATES

- March 8th - Tourism, Community & Publicity, 7pm
- March 14th - Planning (Local Plan), 7pm
- March 15th - Strategy & Finance, 7pm

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Return Of Thanks**WALLIS - H. John**

Jenny, Rachel and family wish to thank everyone who sent cards and letters of condolence and messages of support, also the many friends and relations for their attendance at St Michael's Church.

Grateful thanks also for the donations to the British Heart Foundation and Parkinson's UK.

Thanks to Darren and his team from AJ Wakely and Sons who dealt with everything in a most dignified and efficient manner.

Thanks also to Deacon Becky Lovatt for the beautifully conducted service.

Death Notice**HAINS
DIANE MARY**

Passed away peacefully in Dorset County Hospital on the 22nd February 2017 aged 72 years. Beloved mother to Robert & Peter, dear friend of Betty & Remy.

A Service of Thanksgiving to take place at St Michael's Church, Lyme Regis on Thursday 9th March at 11.00am.

Family flowers only please, donations if desired for St Michael's Church, Lyme Regis c/o AJ Wakely & Sons, 7a Silver Street, Lyme Regis, DT7 3HR.

Retrospective show of late Lyme Regis photographer's work opens in London

■ **RETROSPECTIVE:** Katkin Tremayne with daughter Poppy and brother Tom Mayne at the opening of their father Roger Mayne's retrospective show at The Photographers' Gallery in central London

THE Photographers' Gallery off Oxford Street, London, was packed for the opening of the first major retrospective show of work by the ground-breaking Lyme Regis photographer Roger Mayne, since he died in 2014.

His daughter Katkin, a ceramicist from Netherbury, worked closely with curator Anna Douglas to bring together some of his finest images, including a painstaking reconstruction of the exuberant 1964 colour slide installation 'The British at Leisure'.

Mayne first came to prominence in the late 1950s and early 60s with black and white studies of city life, children at play and teen culture, which were used in the film 'Absolute Beginners', and the exhibition features a definitive selection of his famous portrait of Southam Street.

Katkin said: "Forty years on since my dad's first

show at The Photographers' Gallery it's been wonderful to see some of his best images displayed together again - and how much they still effect old and new audiences.

"I'm delighted that there's also a chance for his work to be exhibited closer to home at the Thelma Hubert Gallery in Honiton, in the show 'Roger Mayne, Beyond the Lens', from this Saturday until April 22nd. It's displaying a collection of very large-scale prints that used to be hung at a barn at our home in Lyme Regis, plus the photographs he took for the 1975 Shell Guide to Devon that was written by my mother Ann Jellicoe.

"An accompanying book has been produced by his friend David Hibberd and fellow artist Roger Polley."

DOROTHY MARY MCGREGOR

The family would like to thank all our friends and neighbours who came to the Church to support us, for the messages of sympathy, letters and cards received it was much appreciated. Our thanks also to all those who have given donations to the RNLI. Our grateful thanks to Tim Nickels of A.J. Wakely & Sons for guiding us through a difficult time with kindness and dignity and also to Rev Rosemary Bragg for her kindness and for officiating at the Services. Our heartfelt thanks also to Dr. Forbes Watson and the District Nurses who looked after Dorothy so well over the years and sincere thanks to all the staff at Fairfield House Residential Care Home who treated Dorothy with such care and kindness. Please accept this as our personal message of thanks.

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Jodie Moore and Joe Collinson

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**Lauren Jade Hill**

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Marcus takes on new role with B Sharp

B SHARP, the Lyme Regis-based music charity for young people, has announced the appointment of Marcus Dixon as new managing director.

B Sharp has reached its tenth year in successfully providing training and music-making opportunities to children and young people across West Dorset and East Devon, and it is through this success that the charity has recently been awarded funding from the Real Ideas Organisation (RIO), allowing the charity to expand and develop its current offer to the local community and beyond.

B Sharp's co-founder, Fran Williams, is moving into the new role of creative director, which will see her leading and developing future dynamic and exciting music and performance programmes.

In addition to this, B Sharp continues its valued associations with Dorset and Devon Music Hubs, West Dorset District Council, Lyme Regis Town Council and Youth Music.

Mr Dixon, well-known in Lyme Regis as former chief executive of the Development Trust and chairman of the gig club, has been instrumental in developing and supporting many local initiatives to date, and is excited to steer B Sharp in this new phase of development as he takes on the role of managing director with immediate effect.

He said: "I've been amazed by the dynamism and success of B Sharp since its launch in 2007. Over the last decade, the young people's music charity has grown and developed into a nationally recognised exemplar of peer to peer learning.

"It's clear we are moving into a rapidly evolving world where creativity is as important as literacy. A place where B Sharp's ability to engage and inspire young people of all ages and backgrounds becomes increasingly important.

"It's a great privilege to be joining as the managing director of B Sharp and to have this opportunity to work closely with Fran Williams and the team to build a sound future for us all."

Mrs Williams, who launched B Sharp in 2007 with young people and volunteers, is very much looking forward to her new role as creative director.



■ **NEW ROLE:** Managing director Marcus Dixon pictured with young musicians from B Sharp

She commented: "I am delighted that Marcus has joined B Sharp. I am looking forward to working with Marcus and the team in my new capacity as creative director, to take B Sharp to another level.

"B Sharp's activity programme, training and employment offer is vital to sustaining young people and a growing workforce in our rural community. We aim to go on developing the B Sharp model which has been admired and emulated by many other organisations."

Hannah Lovegrove, chairman of the board of trustees for B Sharp, added: "Over the past year the management team at B Sharp has been developing the strategy we need to meet the significant chal-

lenge set by the award of funding from RIO. Part of that strategy has been to broaden the team and we're delighted to announce that Marcus Dixon is joining B Sharp as our managing director.

"Known to many in the area for his tireless work on behalf of the community, Marcus has been instrumental in driving forward fresh ideas in a variety of sectors – in science, the arts, and even gig rowing. His skills and enthusiasm will be immensely helpful to the future development of B Sharp."

For more information or to get involved with any of B Sharp's projects, visit www.bsharp.uk.com or email franwilliams@bsharp.uk.com

Fishing trips for children

LYME Regis Sea Angling Club is offering six junior deep sea fishing trips for children aged between nine and 16 throughout the rest of the year.

The trips will take place on April 10th from 1pm to 5pm; May 30th from 9am to 1pm; July 24th from 8am to 12noon; August 21st from 1pm to 5pm; October 23rd from 9am to 1pm; and December 18th from 11am to 3pm.

The trips will be with skipper Lewis Hodder of Lyme Bay Charters, and the lead tutor will be Gavin Tyte of the sea angling club.

All tackle, bait and tuition will be provided for £20 per person. Booking is essential and full details are available at www.lymefishing.org.uk/juniorboat/

Jumble sale in aid of school

THE Parents and Friends Association of St Michael's Primary School in Lyme Regis will host a jumble sale on Saturday, March 11th.

The sale will be held from 11am to 1pm at the school in King's Way and entry is free.

Donations of the following would be gratefully received: clothing, paired shoes, hats, scarves, paired gloves, belts, bric-a-brac, soft toys, costume jewellery, and small portable electrical items such as hairdryers, irons and toasters.

Donations can either be dropped off at the school between 12noon and 3.15pm on Friday, March 10th or to arrange a collection on Thursday, March 9th or Friday 10th, call Micheala on 07791 709567.

School to host spring concert

CHILDREN from Charmouth Primary School will perform a 'Sing for Spring' community concert later this month.

Performances will be held on Monday, March 20th and Monday, March 27th, both starting at 1.45pm at the school, featuring children from Year 6 and the school's choir club, as well as members of Charmouth & Bridport Pop and Rock Choir.

Tickets cost £3 and are available from the school reception office by calling 01297 560591.

Church pancake party raises £180

A PANCAKE party held at St Michael's Church Hall in Lyme Regis last week raised £180. The money will be split between church funds and the Get Together Club.

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Schools celebrate World Book Day

CHILDREN from both Charmouth Primary and Mrs Ethelston's Primary School in Uplyme celebrated World Book Day last Thursday. Pupils and teachers came to school dressed as their favourite book characters and took part in a number of literary activities. In Charmouth, each class paraded in their costumes and a best dressed pupil was chosen from each class, with winners pictured above. In Uplyme, all pupils received a new book donated by Serendip bookshop in Lyme Regis (pictured below).



Dorset schools to feel effect of £3billion funding shortfall

By LOTTIE WELCH
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SCHOOLS in Dorset will soon be seeing the impact of an estimated £3billion shortfall in the government's education budget by 2020.

Around 98 per cent of schools are set to lose funding, with Dorset likely to lose an average of £268 per pupil – a total of more than £13million for the area as a whole – the equivalent of 349 average teacher salaries.

The funding shortfall is a result of increased costs and levies on schools and comes at a time when the government is introducing a new national funding formula to calculate funding levels for schools in England.

The new funding formula will offer a fairer distribution of funding, but Dorset will lose significant amounts of money.

Russell Hobby, general secretary of school leaders' union National Association of Head Teachers, said: "School budgets are being pushed beyond breaking point.

"The government's £3billion real terms cut to education funding must be reversed or we will see education and care suffer.

"Already heads are being forced to cut staff, cut the curriculum and cut specialist support.

"A new funding formula is the right thing to do, but it cannot be truly fair unless there is enough money to go round in the first place."

The Department of Education, which is proposing the new funding formula, wants to "end the historical postcode lottery in school funding".

A spokesperson said: "The government has protected the core schools budget in real terms since 2010, with school funding at its highest level on record at more than £40billion in

2016/17.

"We are delivering on the government's manifesto commitment that the amount of money following a child into school will be protected and that as the number of pupils increase, so will the amount of money in our schools.

"But the system for distributing that funding across the country is unfair, opaque and outdated.

"We are going to end the historical postcode lottery in school funding and under the proposed national schools funding formula, more than half of England's schools will receive a cash boost.

"Dorset's funding would go up by £5million if the proposed new funding formula was implemented.

"We are consulting on the factors that will make up the formula and we know that it is important that we get this right so that every pound of the investment we make in education has the biggest impact.

"Funding every child fairly and according to their needs is at the heart of delivering the government's pledge to build a country that works for everyone.

"We recognise that schools are facing cost pressures, which is why we will continue to provide support to help them use their funding in cost effective ways, including improving the way they buy goods and services, so they get the best possible value."

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BBC journalist Kate Adie talks for Museum Friends

ACCLAIMED journalist and author Kate Adie OBE entertained a packed crowd at the Woodmead Halls in Lyme Regis on Thursday.

The talk, organised by the Friends of Lyme Regis Museum to raise funds for the Mary Anning Wing extension, currently under construction, was enjoyed by an audience of about 200.

Kate started her career in journalism as a station assistant at BBC Radio Durham but became a household name during the 1980s after she switched to television broadcasting, covering disasters and conflicts around the globe. She was appointed the BBC's chief news correspondent in 1989 and held the post for 14 years, standing down frontline reporting in 2003.

Kate was appointed the OBE in 1993 and currently presents 'From Our Own Correspondent' on BBC Radio 4. She is also a best-selling author.

Kate entertained the audience with anecdotes from her successful career, focussing largely on time spent in Bosnia. She also spoke about her love for museum's and her connection to Lyme Regis, where she researched Thomas Coram, founder of the London Foundling Hospital, for her 2005 book 'Nobody's Child'.

She then took questions before meeting and signing books for fans.



■ JOURNALIST and writer Kate Adie with vice-chairman of the Friends of Lyme Regis Museum, David Cox, who organised the event

Local publishing company helps make Charmouth author's dream a reality

A LYME Regis publishing company has come to the aid of a local woman suffering terminal cancer, whose last wish is to have her novel printed.

Blind writer Trish Vickers, from Charmouth, made national headlines after forensic experts were able to restore pages of her book, which she had written with a pen without realising it had run out of ink.

Having always had a love of writing, Trish, who lost her sight to diabetes aged 52, embarked on her first novel in 2012. She didn't type or use a computer, but used a system of elastic bands to help her keep in line as she wrote by hand.

It wasn't until her son Simon made his weekly visit to read his mum's work that they realised her pen had run dry and she had lost 26 pages of work.

In a desperate attempt to restore her work, they rang the police and asked to speak to the fingerprints section who, to Trish's surprise, said they'd be happy to help. The blank pages were taken to Dorset Police headquarters at Winfrith and officers used their spare time during breaks to trace the imprint left by the pen.

Having gone on to complete the book 'Grannifer's Legacy', Trish was diagnosed with terminal cancer and it is her last wish to see the book published.

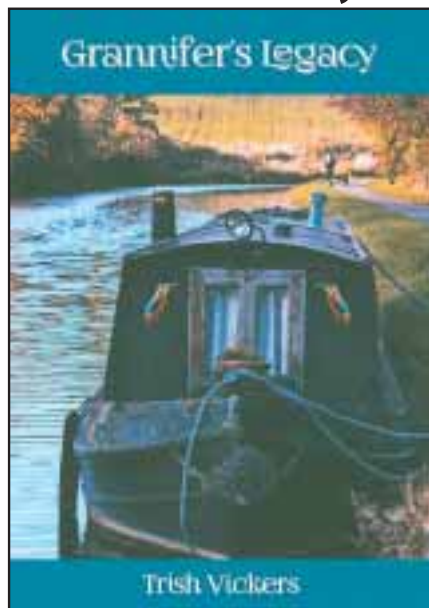
Lyme Regis-based company Magic Oxygen Publishing have now come to her aid after friends and family put an appeal in the local press to anyone who could help in seeing Trish's dream realised.

An online Crowdfunding appeal was launched to help with the cost of publishing, and Tracey and Simon West of Magic Oxygen Publishing are now getting the book ready for print.

Tracey commented: "A crowdfunding campaign had been set in motion and the kind donations were really lifting Trish's spirits and fuelling her hopes that it would finally happen. However, she was becoming weaker too as the illness continued to take its toll on her body. Time was absolutely of the essence.

"This was the point where some of our mutual friends got in touch to see if we could help. At the time of first contact, we were completely and utterly drowning in words, producing the Magic Oxygen Literary Prize Anthology 2017 but the story was just too heartbreaking and she was clearly a lovely soul and a talented author who was very down on her luck.

"We should have some really good news for Trish in a few more days and we're also busy pulling a book launch together for her. It won't be in a shop



as she's just too poorly unfortunately – instead, we'll be bringing a lovely book launch to Trish!

"Trish is now surrounded by family and friends and has some wonderful things to think about. She knows the power of positive thought when life continues to throw you, what seem like, insurmountable challenges and we are very proud to play a part in her story.

"She's one of the bravest souls I've ever met, a total optimist, a lovely woman and a realist. She is preparing to start her next adventure and she knows there's a bunch of people pulling all the stops out to ensure she makes this dream come true first."

'Grannifer's Legacy' follows a character called Jennifer whose life implodes, losing her job, her boyfriend and her namesake great grandmother who has always been her guide. The novel follows her trials and tribulations as she starts a new life for herself.

Those who would like a copy can view a sneak peek and pre-order the book at www.magicoxygen.co.uk. Donations from the sale of each one will be made to the South West Talking Newspapers.

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Bottle Inn to close doors after dispute with owner

AN award-winning Campaign for Real Ale pub in West Dorset is being forced to close despite huge support from the local community, which has included residents registering the building as an asset of community value.

On Tuesday, February 28th, Michael Brookes, owner of The Bottle Inn in Marshwood, near Lyme Regis, was granted a possession order for the pub and ordered the landlords, Nigel and Chrissy Blake, to leave the premises within 28 days.

Mr and Mrs Blake have been running The Bottle Inn since August 2012 and since then it has twice been voted West Dorset's pub of the year by the Campaign for Real Ale (CAMRA) and last year it also won CAMRA's regional competition for the Wessex and Channel Islands area.

It is understood that Mr and Mrs Blake have been involved in a long dispute with Mr Brookes, as he failed to comply with the requirements of the lease to repair the building. As a result, Mr Brookes has refused to grant Mr and Mrs Blake a new lease.

This will be the fourth occasion in less than nine years that the pub has closed. In 2008, the long-standing landlord, Shane Pym, who established the famous World Nettle Eating Championships that are held annually at The Bottle, gave up after falling out with Mr Brookes and two further attempts to revive the pub were shortlived.

When Mr and Mrs Blake arrived, the pub had been closed since January 2011 and they needed to spend £50,000 on repairs in order to reopen because Mr Brookes failed to carry out this work. But they have been unable to run a restaurant as the kitchen is unsafe and urgent repairs are required to the roof.

Three years ago, about 130 customers formed The Supporters Association of The Bottle Inn to try and find a way of securing the pub's long-term future by buying it on behalf of the community.

They also successfully registered it as an asset of community value with West Dorset District Council but were unable to agree a price with Mr Brookes, who until recently was living in Australia.

Last minute efforts were made outside the court this week to reach an agreement that would allow Mr and Mrs Blake to remain but these also failed.

Mark Van de Weyer, the chairman of the supporters association, said that Mr Brookes told Mr and Mrs Blake's lawyers that he had recently separated from his wife and had returned to the UK with the intention of living at The Bottle.

Mark Van de Weyer accompanied Mr and Mrs Blake to the court hearing, and said afterwards: "Sadly there are no winners. The community will be without its much treasured old pub, Mr and Mrs Blake will lose their home and their business and Mr Brookes will be faced with a massive repair bill at The Bottle, which is a listed building.

"I will be meeting urgently with other association members and many are urging me to see what can be done even at this very late stage.

"I would welcome any help that CAMRA can provide in saving our pub and providing a fair solution for Nigel and Chrissy after all that they have achieved at The Bottle."

Mr and Mrs Blake are planning to close the pub around March 18th.

Mr Blake said: "It is with great sadness and regret that we will be shortly forced to close the iconic Bottle Inn. For over four years Chrissy and I have been battling to save this great pub.

"When we reopened the pub it had been closed for 18 months and an enforcement order for work to be done had been placed on it by West Dorset District Council. We did this work at our expense to enable us to reopen in early August 2012.

"Since then we have made many great friends in



■ THE Bottle Inn in Marshwood will close its doors for the fourth time in less than nine years later this month, following a dispute between the owner and landlords

the local community, and a lot further afield, turning the pub back into the great local it had previously been.

"Specialising in real ales and ciders we won West Dorset pub of the year in 2014 and then again in 2016 and on the back of that we were the 2016 Wessex and Channel Islands regional winner taking us to the final 16 in the UK.

"During this time myself and Mark Van de Weyer have continuously tried to negotiate with the owner who has been living in Australia, getting the pub listed as an asset of community value in early 2014.

"Unfortunately we have never been able to come to an agreement with him and sadly this week we went to court and are being evicted as trespassers, even though we came in as a business partner on a signed lease that was never honoured by the owner."

Anyone interested in helping the Supporters Association in its efforts to try and save the pub can contact Mark Van de Weyer on mark@van-deweyer.co.uk

The View From has made attempts to contact Mr Brookes for a comment

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Packed audience for 'Shady Tree' talk



■ A PACKED audience at the Woodmead Halls in Lyme Regis enjoyed another of local historian Ken Gollop's popular 'Under Shady Tree' talks on Sunday afternoon. More than 200 residents attended the nostalgic talk, which this year focused on how Lyme Regis has changed over the past 50 years and included about 70 old photos. The talk was promoted as possibly the last ever 'Under Shady Tree' event, which Ken has been presenting in aid of museum funds for 25 years. He and the research team from the museum (pictured above with Ken far left) were kept busy after the talk gathering information, more photos and making contacts.

Training opportunities for young sailors

YOUTH training opportunities will be on offer once again this season with Lyme Regis Sailing Club.

The club runs training groups for youth members, from complete beginner to improver and racing levels, aimed at progression with individual coaching following Royal Yachting Association (RYA) guidelines and with all safety policies and protection for young people in place.

There are still a few places available on Tuesday evenings for those aged between 10 and 17 who would like to give sailing a go, as well as those continuing from previous seasons or with some experience who wish to gain confidence as independent sailors in a safe environment.

These sessions are run by Jim Thomas on the water, overseen by harbourmaster Grahame Forshaw, a RYA senior coach, and have run for more than 25 years. Basic requirements are to be water confident, interested and committed to the 13 sessions, and youth or family members of the club.

Organiser Sally Holman said: "Many of our Tuesday group have gone on to become keen sailors, racing their own boats or crewing with others."

"Some families are all sailors, and of course, that kind of support is helpful, but being independent as a sailor gives all-round confidence to young people."

"We have trained and experienced adult volunteers doing the coaching and a friendly group soon emerges, with more competent older students returning as volunteers to help our beginners."

"Once skill levels have developed, our young sailors can apply to join the Saturday race group and become competent racing sailors, inspired by those a little older who have taken up this exciting sport. Numbers are limited to those who can benefit at this level of coaching, and are assessed by Vicky Hill and Jerry Rook."

There are a limited number of scholarship places on offer again this season, where the club covers the cost of membership for a year. Anyone who would like to be considered should contact Sally in confidence, using the contact details below.

Another option for the youngest beginners, is

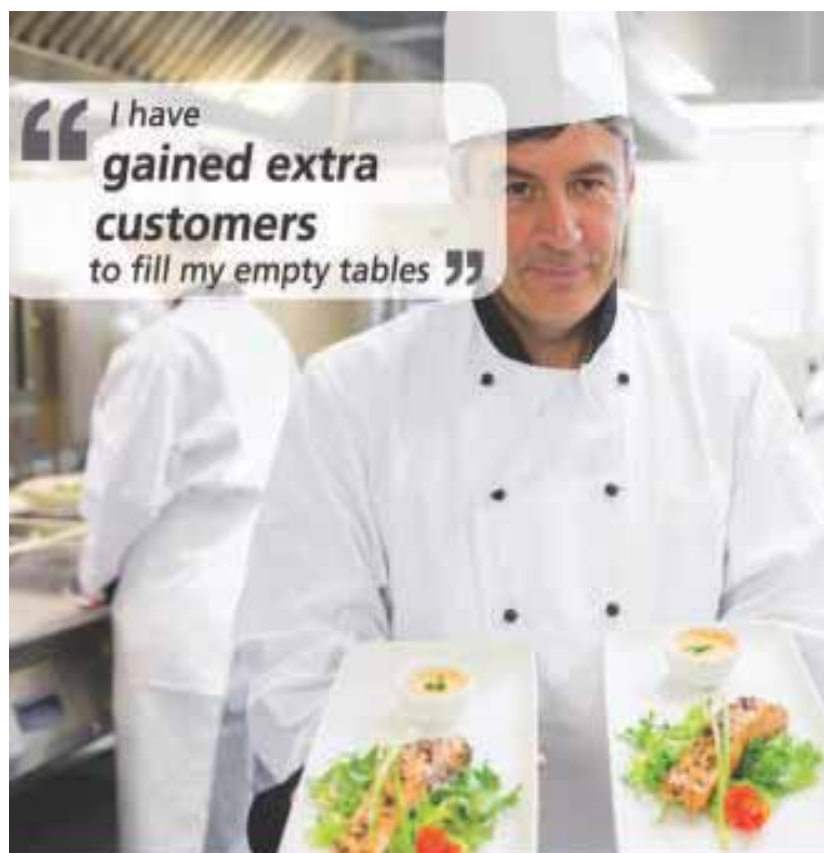


to join Dace Stubbs' Optimist training sessions, but these are already full for 2017. The fleet has grown over the past two years and some are now taking part in races.

Unfortunately, the club is not currently in a position to offer training for adults but summer week places are available with Lyme Regis Sea School Trust, with further information available at www.lrss.org.uk

In preparation for the Gul Fireball European and National Championships, which the club is hosting in August, a training session for mark laying was recently held, run by RYA mark laying coach Neil Andrew, and a seminar led by experienced race officers to help newcomers gain some of the complex skills involved.

Those interested in youth training should contact Sally Holman for the Tuesday group by emailing secretary.lrscltd@gmail.com or call 01297 442373, or for the Saturday race group, email Vicky Hill on vickyhill.design@btinternet.com or call 01404 881229. For more details on the sailing club, visit www.lymeregissailingclub.co.uk



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Last orders at the iconic Bottle yet again

THEY say that 20 pubs close every day in the UK. Actually, that's fewer than in previous years but it's still a disturbing figure.

Pubs, especially in rural areas, are so much more than just a place to have a drink. In some villages they double up as post offices, shops and libraries, often manned by volunteers.

For some, running a pub is a dream come true, but it's not an easy life. Long hours, seven days a week and declining customers in many cases.

Lyme Matters

by Philip Evans



Whilst running the iconic Bottle Inn is no holiday, it's pending closure for the upteenth time in my lifetime is not due to falling clientele. Anything but, in fact.

The Marshwood pub, home to the

world famous stinging nettle eating championships, has twice been named West Dorset's pub of the year by the Campaign for Real Ale.

Mine hosts Nigel and Chrissy Blake, who have spent a fortune try-

ing to get the old place habitable, have been fighting a continual battle with the owner of the thatched premises since they took occupation in 2012 but have not been able to reach agreement (see page 8 for the full story).

Customers formed themselves into a Bottle Inn Supporters' Association and attempted to buy the pub as a community asset. That status was granted by West Dorset District Council but they have been unable to agree a price with the owner.

Last minute efforts for Mr and Mrs Blake to remain in the building failed

last week and so the pub is expected to close on March 18th, much to the disappointment of the regulars who love the place.

Efforts to try and save the Bottle will continue but there would seem little hope as the owner has said he intends to live in The Bottle, having separated from his wife and returned to this country from Australia.

So it would seem that yet another country pub - one with real character - will disappear and with it, perhaps, one of the West Country's most bizarre traditions.

Don't bet on there not being another Shady Tree

WILL he, won't he? That was the question we were all asking at the Woodmead Halls on Sunday afternoon when Ken Gollop wound up what he described as "probably the last" "Under Shady Tree".

For the past 25 years Lyme-born Ken, former boatman, councillor and authority on all things Lyme Regis, has been presenting his popular trip down memory lane.

Why 'Shady Tree'? That's where all the local lads used to congregate at the end of Anning Road (before there was an Anning Road) when they were young.

As always, the Woodmead Halls were packed on Sunday with all 206 chairs

being put out and a few standing at the back.

In his inimitable style, Ken started by telling the audience why he thought this was "probably" his last 'Shady Tree', explaining that he was getting on in years and, often had a bit of difficulty remembering names and the like. Don't we all?

But there was no real evidence of that in the entertaining and amusing commentary he gave on various photos of old Lyme and faces from the past.

Ken has never been afraid to express his views on local affairs and I was pleased to see that he still has a bit of fire in his belly. Ken has an encyclope-

dic knowledge of Lyme and I can't tell you the number of times we ring him up to check an historical fact. And woe betide if we get it wrong, which we often do!

Ken also has a great love for the town museum which is undergoing a major development programme. As always, all proceeds from 'Shady Tree' went to museum funds.

He got such an enthusiastic round of applause at the end of his presentation that he advised the audience to keep their Sunday afternoons free next March.

I don't think we've seen the last of 'Shady Tree'.

Well done Mr Deputy Town Clerk

I WAS unable to attend the recent public inquiry into the Teneriffe Path saga in Lyme Regis.

Which was a shame because I would have loved to have listened to Sally Dale defending her memory when questioned by a barrister.

Femme formidable!

Like all locals of my age, I used the path when I was a kid as a short cut to the beach and later in life as a reporter, especially when the seas were crashing over Cobb Gate. Was it a public path? I have no idea. But it was certainly used by the public.

There was some adverse comments about the town council not

bothering to employ the services of a barrister to put their case.

I'm not sure it would have made much difference had they done so because by all accounts Lyme's deputy town clerk, Mark Green, did a brilliant job in his summing up.

Council officials generally get a hard time from the electorate (and this column). It comes with the territory.

Even more reason then why we should praise them when they show their professionalism.

One councillor told me: "I was proud of Mark's performance. Better than the opposing barrister."

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Alexandra wins gold award for fourth consecutive year

The Alexandra Hotel and Restaurant in Lyme Regis has been awarded gold in the prestigious Taste of the West Awards for the fourth consecutive year.

The Alexandra Restaurant has been praised for serving seasonal dishes with ingredients from local producers.

Talented head chef Tom Holloway oversees a mouth-watering menu – some of which is sourced by fishermen fresh from the bay below. Depending on the catch, the menu includes pan seared Lyme Bay brill, Lyme Bay diver caught scallops, West Country lemon sole and Lyme lobster.

Tom gained an appreciation of fresh local produce while working at a small restaurant on the west coast of Scotland before joining the Alexandra as head chef last year.

In Scotland, Tom could see the fish being caught and sold from fishmongers in a matter of minutes and got used to sourcing, growing and foraging as

much as he could, an ethos that he has brought with him to Dorset.

Hotel owner Kathryn Haskins said: "We are thrilled to have won a Taste Of The West Gold Award for the Alexandra Restaurant for the fourth year in a row. Congratulations to Tom and his dedicated team for this much-deserved award."

Tom added: "Winning Taste of the West Gold gives the team at the Alexandra a real lift as the main ethos of our dishes is to use great seasonal ingredients from passionate local food producers."

The Alexandra Restaurant is open daily and has just launched is 'Local to Lyme Midweek Menu', offering two courses for £20 and three for £25, served from Monday to Tuesday. Dishes include polenta and Lyme Regis Town Mill Ale buttered catch of the day, free range chicken supreme and River Exe mussels.

For more information visit the website www.hotelalexandra.co.uk



■ **THRILLED:** Hotel owner Kathryn Haskins pictured in the Alexandra's award-winning restaurant

Last-minute spaces available on trip to National Trust property

THE Uplyme and Lyme Regis Horticultural Society will host their first outing of the year on Wednesday, March 15th.

Last minute places are still available for the trip to the National Trust's Kinston Lacy, where members hope the snowdrops will still be in full bloom. The trip will include a guided tour of the house and garden.

The coach will leave Uplyme Village Hall at 9 am. For National Trust members, the trip will cost £12, and for non-members £21. Non-members of the horticultural society are also welcome for an additional £3.

To book, call Jenny Harding on 01297 444034 as soon as possible so that numbers can be finalised.

On the following Wednesday, March 22nd, Up-

lyme Village Hall is the venue for the society's next talk, at 7.30pm. David Usher, who was head gardener at Hestercombe for many years, will talk about the project to restore their famous gardens, from the Gertrude Jekyll walled garden to the wilder landscape behind the house.

Tea and coffee will be available both before and after the talk. Entry is free for members or £3 for non-members.

Advance notice has also been given for the next outing on Tuesday, April 11th to Compton Acres in Poole.

This is a varied and unusual garden, including a classic Japanese Garden and woodland walks.

The trip costs £16 for members or £19 for non-members, leaving Uplyme Village Hall at 9.15am. To book, call Annie Kobus on 01297 443346.

View From a Teen with Lucy Littley

Depression

DEPRESSION is something that affects millions of people worldwide.

Even though depression is relatively common, it is still a highly stigmatised mental disorder in today's society, and is often misunderstood.

Depression rates have increased by 70 per cent over the last 25 years. Roughly one in four people will have experienced depression at some stage in their life, ranging from mild to severe. Someone suffering from depression doesn't just feel sad or low for a few days, but more persistently for months and sometimes years. Their lives and personality can completely change, and they may no longer be motivated to do activities previously enjoyed, and little interest may be shown in relationships.

Depression is prevalent in teens. This maybe due to unrealistic academic, social and family expectations, which can often result in a sense of rejection and disappointment. Many people feel as though life isn't fair and that things aren't going their way, leaving them feeling stressed out and upset. To make matters worse, teens are bombarded by conflicting messages by the media, on how they should look or act, making them feel as though they aren't good enough.



Teens are notoriously bad at keeping their true feelings hidden from family and professionals. Coping mechanisms are often played out through social media. In some aspects, this can be a useful outlet to vent fears and frustrations, and to understand that they are not alone. However, posting inner feelings can occasionally have a detrimental effect.

It comes with the risk of receiving hurtful comments, magnifying their unhappiness. Misinformed advice may also be given, and self-diagnosis is also common. Someone experiencing just a low mood, may believe that they are in fact depressed. This can lead to the word being used flippantly, which makes a true sufferer feel less worthy, or able to express their feelings.

The advice given for those suffering from depression is to try to increase your energy levels, by eating well, getting a good nights sleep, staying active, finding a new hobby, and getting involved. In addition to this, try to reach out to someone, whether it's a friend, family member or a support group. Keeping things inside will only make things worse.

The Samaritans is a charity aimed at providing emotional support for anyone in emotional stress, or at risk of suicide. Their number is 116123.

Finally, for those of you that know someone who is struggling emotionally, experts say to show support, without any pressure. Encouragement should be given to make them discuss their feelings. Most importantly, don't be critical or trivialise a condition that you may have never experienced.

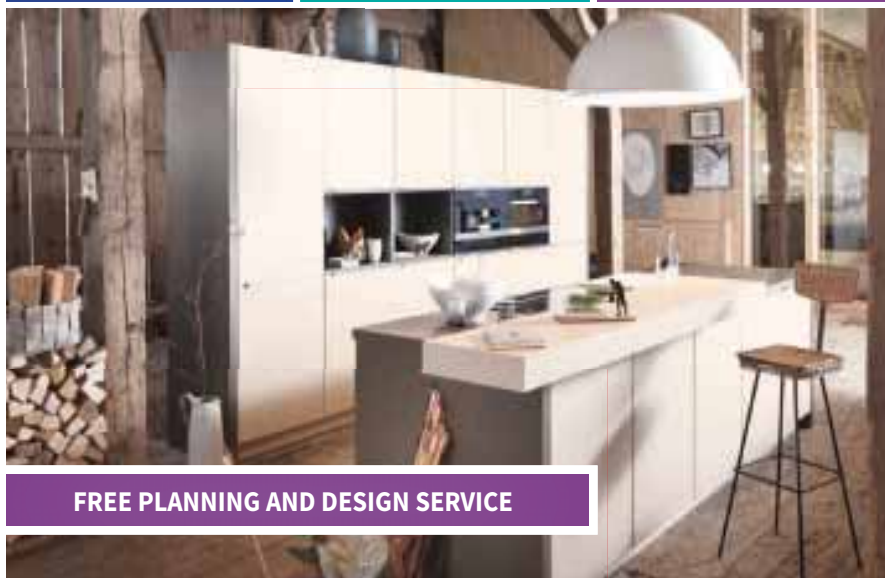
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Cooking time for vegetables: Under 30 minutes.

Ingredients

- 300g / 10½oz lean rump or thick sirloin steaks
- 300g / 10½oz small new potatoes
- Large pinch paprika powder
- 30ml / 2tbsp extra virgin olive oil
- Salt & freshly milled black pepper
- 2 garlic cloves, peeled & chopped
- 1 small red onion, peeled & thinly sliced
- 2.5ml / ½tsp dried chilli flakes
- 100ml / 3½flop dry red wine

Method

1. Preheat the oven to Gas mark 7, 220°C, 425°F.

2. Place the potatoes in a non-stick roasting tin. Add the paprika and half the oil, toss gently, season and roast for 25 minutes. 15 minutes before the end of the cooking time remove the tin, add the garlic and onions, toss gently and return to the oven.

3. Place the steaks on a chopping board, season on both sides and dust with the chilli flakes. Heat the remaining oil in a heavy based frying or griddle pan and cook the steaks according to your preference. Remove the steak and keep warm.

4. In the same pan add the wine and simmer for 2-3 minutes or until reduced by half, scraping the base of the pan with a wooden spoon to release any sediment. Add any meat juices from the steak plate to the pan.

5. Divide the potato mixture between two serving plates. Slice the steak on the diagonal and arrange on top of the potatoes. Drizzle over the red wine sauce and serve immediately with a red chicory salad.



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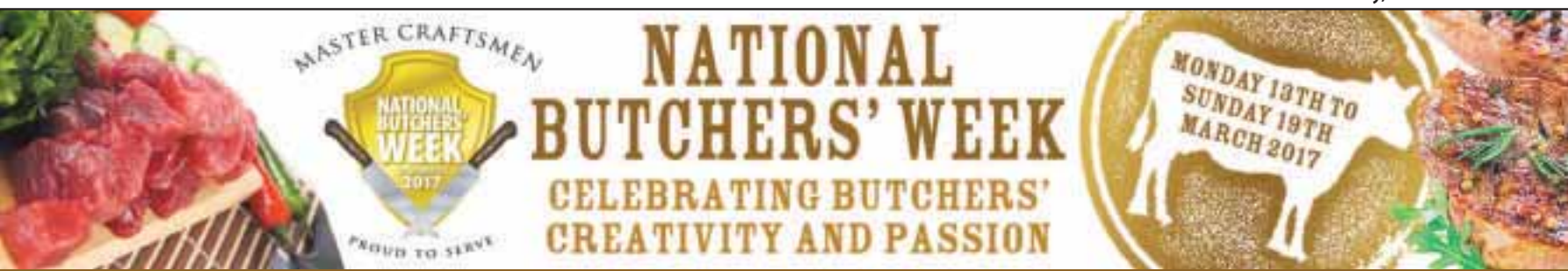
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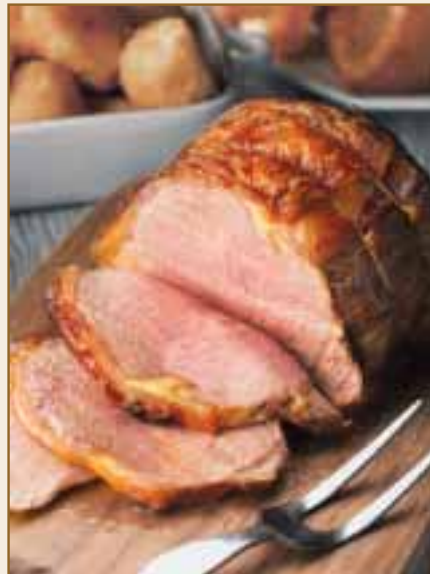


National Butchers' Week will be urging consumers to turn to the experts for their meat with the message that #butcherisbetter

THIS year's National Butchers' Week will focus on the fantastic innovation that takes place within butchers' shops across the land.

Rod Addy, editor of Meat Trades Journal, said it was a chance to get creative. "National Butchers' Week is an opportunity for a business to show off its creativity. Some of the most successful butchers in the country do amazing work to create new dishes that tempt customers and increase basket spend."

As well as coverage in Meat Trades Journal, be sure to follow National Butchers' Week on Facebook and Twitter using the #ButchersGiveYouIdeas hashtag to keep on top of what's happening in the run-up to the week and perhaps spark some creativity.



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Lyme Folk Weekend announces line-up



THE summer season will be rounded off in Lyme Regis with another exciting line-up at Lyme Folk Weekend.

Once again, organisers have come up with a mix of talent, ranging from one of the most innovative contemporary artists to some of the folk world's legendary names.

Opening the festival at the Marine Theatre in Lyme Regis on Friday, September 1st will be Jim Moray, nominated for two awards in this year's BBC Radio 2 Folk Awards, for best album and best original song.

For 15 years, Jim (pictured left) has been at the forefront of a new movement in English traditional music. His debut album 'Sweet England' changed the sound of folk song and won a brace of awards for its innovative melding of orchestration and electronica. Subsequent albums embraced everything from grime to Johnny Marr-esque guitar pop, but at their heart was always Jim's unmistakable soulful and yearning voice; singing old songs in a new way.

His sixth album 'Upcetera' heralds a new chapter for the producer and has received the best reviews of his career, including his two BBC nominations, and five stars from Mojo, fRoots and R2 magazines.

Saturday night headliners will be folk legends Ralph McTell and Wizz Jones, who will be presenting songs from their critically-acclaimed album 'About Time', recorded to celebrate their 50 years of music-making together.

McTell and Jones, two distinguished musicians, join forces some 50 years after they first met and played together. Back in 1966 Ralph was just back from playing in Paris and met Wizz in a coffee bar in Croydon,

when he was invited by Wizz to go to Cornwall and play guitar with him.

"It was a life-changing move for me and one of the most wonderful summers I have spent," said McTell.

They became life long friends and played together many times. In the spring of 2015 Ralph called Wizz and suggested they finally do a whole album together. They found themselves once again in Cornwall to make this album, joining a circle of music and friendship started some 50 years earlier.

The album is a brilliant blend made up of their old favourites, some traditional arrangements and songs by Doc Watson, Woody Guthrie, Townes Van Zandt and Bob Dylan.

The Sunday night finale will feature the biggest name on the South West's folk scene, a solo gig from one half of multiple award-winners Show of Hands, Steve Knightley.

Steve (pictured right) is the songwriting force behind Show of Hands, widely acclaimed as the finest acoustic roots duo in England. As a solo performer he decided in 2016 to turn his attention to maritime venues around the shoreline of England and Wales.

He said: "As a West Country songwriter I have written so many songs of seafarers and wreckers, travellers and traders, pirates and smugglers. Now I'm going to be able to sing them with the sound of the sea in the distance - I can't wait!"

As has become the tradition at Lyme Folk Weekend, the headliners will be supported by acts who first appeared on other stages at last summer's festival - singer-songwriter Saskia Griffiths-Moore, traditional virtuoso duo Mitchell & Vincent and the Longest



Johns, the brilliant shanty group featured on the BBC programme 'The Choir' with Gareth Malone.

And, continuing another Lyme Folk tradition, all three support acts will be centre stage for this month's Lyme Folk Revisited show at the Pilot Boat Inn on Saturday, March 18th. Tickets to see all three acts in one evening are just £10, with all proceeds going towards staging the summer festival.

Tickets for Lyme Folk Weekend and the Lyme Folk Revisited fundraiser are available online at www.lymefolk.com or from Lyme Regis Tourist Information Centre on 01297 442138.

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Councillor Jeff Scowen

"As long as we have a bus I don't mind how we have it. Our lovely community depend on it. They wouldn't be able to come into town to shop, eat or attend all the events coming up for them. We really, really need this service. Most of the people who came to the community lunch used it."

Alethea McLoughlin

"Whatever it takes, the town bus must be kept going. It is an essential service to the many locals of the town who are either too elderly or too poor to afford a car. It is not an option not to support it. If necessary, the council could cancel all of its annual hand-out grants for organisations that are perfectly capable of raising their own money in order to preserve this service for those who have no such capability. I shall be watching this like a hawk."

Geoff Baker

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Images of Galapagos Islands shared with photo club

MEMBERS of Lyme Bay Photographic Club enjoyed a pictorial trip to the Galapagos Islands in the Pacific Ocean when photographer and judge John Foulkes presented his images of a recent trip he had taken there with his wife.

John explained how each of the many islands were formed and how he had concentrated on photographing the wildlife and birds that inhabited the islands. He also explained the instructions that were

given to visiting photographers about not approaching the wildlife and how it seemed that the wildlife hadn't got the message "not to mingle".

John also judged the Phil Wells' Triptych competition in PDLs and prints and the overall winner with his three prints 'Before the Mast' was Keith Lovell.

There was a general discussion on film versus digital cameras and how many pixels per image were necessary to obtain a decent picture that could be

enlarged to A3 or A2. Overall, club members found John's knowledge to be interesting and extensive and thanked him for his efforts.

The next club meeting is on Friday, March 17th when speaker Bruce Upton, from the Bridport Museum, will talk about 'All Stations to West Bay' plus show various portraits of local people. For further information, contact Chris Sellers on 01297 442475 or visit www.lymebayphotographicclub.org

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So, are you one of the millions who can't afford - or choose not - to buy your own property? If you love your outdoor space, it may be time to consider how to move your garden...

by Hannah Stephenson, Press Association

WITH nearly 50% of householders aged 25 to 35 renting a property, and an increasing number of landlords paving over gardens to make them 'no maintenance', taking your garden with you is a concept many of us might consider.

It's a theme adopted by acclaimed garden designer Tanya Batkin, who will be showing her 'Moveable Feast Garden' at the new RHS Chatsworth House Flower Show in Derbyshire from June 7-11.

Batkin explains: "My daughter is 'generation rent' with a tiny outdoor space - we are talking one pot. She had to have something bombproof, so we went for some succulents, some houseleeks.

"If you have room for a half barrel, you could put in one bamboo, some grasses and a heuchera, which is great for all-year-round interest. It gives you a nice combination of form and foliage."

Her show garden is made up of a series of brightly coloured wooden planters in palette and half-palette sizes. They are all on wheels, she points out, so easy to move.

'Rent generation' gardeners can buy wheeled stands and trolleys with which to move all manner of containers. There are many portable compost bins on the market - some of which are available free through local authorities - as well as lighter, resin-based containers, self-contained, easy-to-move water features and stick-in-the-ground solar lighting.

And you don't have to limit yourself to having flowering ornamental plants in your moveable pots, says Batkin.

"Because my show garden is called 'Moveable Feast', there's going to be a lot of edible planting. Things like bay, rosemary and

lavender will grow happily in pots."

Planting with a view that you will not be in one place for long is a growing trend, says Mark Sage, head of horticulture at Wyevalle Garden Centres.

"We continue to see a real interest in instant solutions from customers who are renting rather than buying properties now, and are more transient and wanting to take their purchases with them from house to house."

Plants with all-year-round interest such as viburnums are proving popular to give structure, flower and berries, and can be grown in pots which you can move, as well as camellias and perpetual-flowering patio roses, such as 'Carpet' roses and 'Fairy' roses, he says.

Edibles are also easy to grow in pots and are moveable. Dwarf fruit trees are also increasing in popularity, says Sage.

"Even in our 'grow your own' selections, we've seen an increase in patio varieties, simply because people have smaller spaces.

"Things like terrace patio fruit, varieties which are grafted on to a rootstock and will grow to about 5ft tall, will thrive in smaller spaces. We have tomato ranges which are suitable for pots and hanging baskets. Growing in smaller spaces is a focus for us.

"The continued interest in 'grow your own' has seen the breeders working extensively on getting really good, productive, great tasting fruit and vegetables suitable for container gardening, particularly with fruit trees."

Here are some of Batkin's tips to help the 'generation rent' maintain and move their gardens:

ON THE MOVE?

- If you have large plants or shrubs, gently contain wayward stems with strips of hessian to reduce damage during your move.
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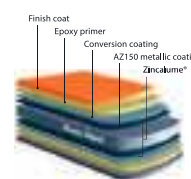
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Lyme harbour to be dredged this month

ANNUAL dredging works are set to take place in Lyme Regis and West Bay this month.

Work in Lyme Regis will run from March 27th to April 10th. A large hydraulic pump will be used, with pipes running from the excavator through to dump trucks located on the beach.

Dump trucks will be in operation replenishing the beach, requiring sections to be closed off to the public, but the parade will remain open throughout the works. Harbour staff have asked the public to be considerate of the works and keep off the beach while machinery is in operation.

A large hydraulic pump will also be used in West Bay with work starting on Saturday, March 11th and lasting for eight days. Large pipes from the pump will run alongside and over the main pier, replenishing West Beach. This takes away the need to close the esplanade for dump truck usage. The main pier will remain open to the public but West Beach will be closed to the public.

Banksmen will be on site for both sets of work to ensure public safety.

Councillor John Russell, West Dorset District Council's executive portfolio holder for environmental protection and assets, said: "These works are essential for maintaining the day-to-day running of both harbours, and ensures the beaches are fully replenished for residents and visitors to enjoy in the warmer months."

"Times and dates for these works are dictated by the tide schedule. We have avoided school half-term and Easter weekend to ensure disruption is kept to a minimum."

Grant from festival helps to upgrade Town Mill equipment

TRUSTEES of the Town Mill in Lyme Regis are hoping to boost revenue after converting a piece of equipment, thanks to a grant from the Axe Vale Festival.

The trustees have been able to use an equal funding grant from the Axminster festival to convert the drive system of the mill's water turbine.

The turbine generates electricity for the mill's needs and any surplus is sold to the National Grid. The new design should result in an increase in reliability and transmission efficiency, and therefore revenue for the mill.

The new drive arrangement replaces the multi-V belt drive with a flat belt design.

In the 1990s the mill was restored to its 1880 layout when flat belts would have been used to drive all the auxiliary equipment. As multi-V belts were first patented in 1928 this conversion has also resulted in an improvement in historic authenticity.

Gary Willis, chairman of the Town Mill Trust, commented: "This will benefit the whole Town Mill community as excess electricity from the hydro (water turbine) helps towards funding the mill and supplements the arts community."

"Without the generous support of the Axe Vale Festival committee we would not have been able to proceed with this project."

If you are fascinated by machinery, electricity, and power then you might enjoy learning to be a volunteer miller at the Town Mill. The working watermill is run every day to produce flour, by a community of volunteers. For further information contact Nicky at the Town Mill on 01297 444042 or email nickytown-mill@gmail.com



■ UPGRADE: Maurice Liddiard and Jim Davidson were instrumental to the project

View from the churches

HOW powerful is the wind! Many in other parts of the country have suffered from Storm Doris.

The nursery rhyme says, "The north wind doth blow, And we shall have snow," and they certainly did up north! Hurricane force winds up to 94 mph battered the country resulting in travel chaos with air flights cancelled, roads shut and rail travel disrupted.

My wife was returning from Basingstoke, and a normal two-hour rail journey took nearly three hours. A far more serious event happened in Wolverhampton when a 29-year-old lady was killed by falling debris.

The Bible speaks of four winds from the four quarters of the heavens [Jeremiah 49:36], or every direction on the compass – north, south, east and west. The church came into being on the day of Pentecost when "there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind" [Acts 2:2] and the early Christians were filled with the Holy Spirit!

We can see the sun, moon and stars, but not the wind – but what an effect it has!

Jesus said: "The wind blows where it wishes, and you hear the sound of it, but cannot tell where it comes from and where it goes. So is everyone who is born of the Spirit." [John 3:8]

The Christians in all Lyme's churches should be kind, thoughtful and considerate in daily life, not because they are morally stronger, but because the wind of the Spirit of God changed their lives when they trusted Jesus Christ as Saviour!

The church at Bethany Chapel extends a warm welcome to all at the usual 4pm Sunday services, and also at 6.30pm on Tuesdays when the 'Y' Course continues to provide ample opportunity for questions and discussion about life's biggest issues. There are free refreshments at both events!

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MAGGIE REEDAY

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Your guide to local live music

International Womens Day concert with O'Hooley & Tidow, Lady Maisery & Grace Petrie

COVEN ARE a collective of three of the British folk scene's finest, most formidable and forthright female acts, taking to the stage to celebrate International Women's Day in a week of unforgettable concerts.

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ally and collectively on one stage.

Coven: Featuring O'Hooley & Tidow play at Bridport Arts Centre on Thursday, March 9th at 7.30pm. Tickets are £14 and £12 concessions, available from www.bridport-arts.com or by calling 01308 424204.



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Celebration of Legendary Jazz Singer Billie Holiday

KNOWN FOR her definitive interpretations of classic jazz standards such as Summertime, Love Me or Leave Me and God Bless the Child, Billie Holiday is considered to be one of the greatest jazz vocalists of all time. Listen to vocalist Julie Dunn and pianist Philip Clouts in a tribute to Holiday's ongoing legacy as part of the Marine Theatre 'Jazz in the Bar' series in Lyme Regis on Sunday, March 12th.

Born in America in 1915, by 1933 Billie Holiday was already singing in Harlem jazz clubs, where she was discovered by the producer and talent scout John Hammond. Hammond immediately arranged three recording sessions for her with Benny Goodman and found more work for her in New York clubs. In 1935, he began recording her regularly, usually under the direction of Teddy Wilson, with studio bands that included many of the finest jazz musicians of the day. These recordings, made between 1935 and 1942, constitute a major body of jazz music; many include work by saxophonist Lester Young, with whom Holiday had particular empathy. The recordings caught the attention of musicians throughout America and soon other singers were working in Holiday's light, rhythmic manner.

Popularity with a wider audience came more slowly. Holiday joined Count Basie in 1937 and Artie Shaw in 1938, becoming one of the first black

singers to be featured with a white orchestra. She started to have success with slow, melancholy songs of unrequited love, particularly Lover Man (1944). By the end of the 1940s, she was a popular star, and in 1946 took part in the film New Orleans with Louis Armstrong and Kid Ory.

Although she continued to sing and record, and to tour frequently until the mid-1950s, it was no longer with her former spirit and skill. She died in 1959.

Holiday is often considered the foremost female singer in jazz history, a view substantiated by her influence on later singers. Her voice carried a wounded poignancy that was part of her attraction for audiences.

Julie Dunn is the perfect vocalist to pay tribute to Billie Holiday. She has released four CDs, playing alongside Johnny Dankworth's son Alec, and she has toured the country playing in prestigious venues such as the Vortex and the 606 Club in London.

Julie will be joined by pianist Philip Clouts of whom *Jazzwise Magazine* has said "Clouts' solos have an attractively crisp, bluesy clarity that's punctuated with evocative impressionism".

Julie Dunn and Philip Clouts perform for Jazz in the Bar at the Marine Theatre, Lyme Regis on Sunday, March 12th at 8pm. Tickets are £11, available online at www.marinetheatre.com or by calling 01297 442138.

Brit Award winner Beverly Craven plays Dorchester

BRIT AWARD winner Beverly Craven will be performing both her timeless classics and new material at Dorchester Arts this Saturday, March 11th.

Dorchester Arts is one of a handful of select venues to be hosting Beverly as she continues to promote her acclaimed latest album 'Change of Heart'.

Beverly became a household name in the early 90s with her single, Promise Me, becoming a huge hit across Europe. She followed that up with a string of chart successes including 'Memories', 'Holding On', 'Woman To Woman' and 'Love Scenes'. Her new album is a more personal reflection on her life and career following a recent recovery from breast cancer.

With a witty narrative and unforgettable melodies, her poignant sentiments will leave you with a warm glow of nostalgia, or maybe even the odd tear.

Beverly Craven plays at Dorchester Corn Exchange on Saturday, March 11 at 8pm.

Tickets are £22.50 full price or £20.50 for Members of Dorchester Arts, under-18s or those on low income, and are available from the Dorchester Arts box office on 01305 266926, in person at the Corn Exchange (weekdays 10am - 4pm) or via the website at www.dorchesterarts.org.uk.



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Absolute Bowie play live at The Gateway in Seaton on Friday, March 17th, with doors opening at 7.30pm. Tickets are £15 in advance, or £18 on the

door, available from The Gateway Box Office 01297 625699 open Monday-Friday 10am to 4pm, and Saturday 10am to 1pm. Card payments accepted.



Absolute Bowie. Photo by Emily Aldridge Photography

Celebrating Ella's centenary

PRaised as the 'First lady of Song', Ella Fitzgerald was a much loved jazz singer who applied her impeccable vocal style to many of the tunes which have become known as the 'Great American Songbook'.

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tra) featuring internationally renowned pianist Philip Clouts & his Trio. Expect to hear many favourites including How High The Moon and The Lady is a Tramp.

Maggie Reeday and Philip Clouts play at The Gateway in Seaton on Friday, March 24th. Doors open 7.30pm with performance 8pm. Tickets are £13 in advance, available from The Gateway Box Office 01297 625699.



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The duo will also play at the Marine Theatre, Lyme Regis on Saturday, March 11th at 8pm.



The Oxley Meier Guitar Project

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Marine Theatre to screen Embrace

BODY IMAGE activist Taryn Brumfitt wrote, produced and directed *Embrace* after an unconventional 'before and after' photo she posted in 2013 was seen over 100 million times and sparked an international media frenzy.

The Marine Theatre will be showing *Embrace* this Thursday, March 9th at 8pm.

Embrace is told from the point of view of Taryn as she traverses the globe talking to experts,

women in the street and well-known personalities about the alarming rates of body image issues that are seen in people of all body types. She interviews Ricki Lake, Amanda de Cadenet, Jeffrey Madoff, Dr Linda Bacon, Mia Freedman and more.

Taryn says: "I felt really compelled to make the film because so many people had reached out to me.

"When I read those 7000 emails

it wasn't just females from 35 to 45 years of age that wrote to me it was people from all walks of life sharing their stories of body image issues.

"This isn't a fluffy, body image piece that gets tacked on to the end of a news segment, this is an issue that's affecting millions of people every single day."

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Tickets £15 adv / £18.00 otd

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Saturday 18th March
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Touch Stones

B-SIDE upped sticks and made the permanent move to the Isle of Portland in Dorset last year. Taking over an empty shop space in Fortuneswell, the new space became a real hub at the Festival in September and has since hosted various community and artist events.

This March sees the start of programme of activities that will experiment with and investigate how b-side and others can make use of the project space. A creatively diverse programme is already shaping up, beginning with work by Somerset sculptor Simon Hitchens.

Simon is showing a group of work entitled 'Touch Stones' which centres on his film Genesis, which explores ideas of what it is to be human and our relationship to the impermanence of life. There is an uncanny simplicity to the film like the meditative calm found in a Zen garden, where displaced rocks become almost body-like. What at first appears to be a benign boulder sat in an arcane landscape slowly begins to take on human qualities: is this a genesis, or the genesis?

Talking on the project, Simon commented: "The film can be viewed as a landscape painting, a still life or even a self-portrait. I chose to use film because I wished to explore my ideas through a new medium, one that challenged how I went about making my art. The process of making it was slow, and involved working with a technical editor which in

turn allowed me a greater degree of objectivity that I found rewarding."

Join Simon at outpost on Saturday, March 16th at 7pm to hear more about his work. Please see website for all info and booking details.

'Touch Stones' is open from March 16th until April 8th, Tuesday to Saturday, 12-5pm. Admission FREE. For more details visit the website www.b-side.org.uk



Simon Hitchens: Portrait of the artist with Flesh of the World

Mother and Daughter: I'm Glad I Asked!

AS WOMEN march en masse across the world in protest at the new Trump Presidency, and we celebrate International Women's Day on Wednesday, March 8th, it has become an important time in history for women to make their voices heard. A solo show coming to The Lyric Theatre in Bridport on Friday, March 10th celebrates mothers and daughters in a special and timely performance.

Dorset artist and performer Michele O'Brien, now caring for her elderly mother, began a year ago to ask her mother the answers to the questions she had always wanted to know but didn't like to ask. Michele then embarked on a year-long project to encourage Mothers and Daughters to ask each other all the things they wanted to know before it was essentially too late. Accompanied by visual artist Denise Poote and photographer Caroline Johnson, Michele worked with women and recorded the questions and answers to some comfortable and not so comfortable questions.

Michele's research led her to create a new one-woman show exploring the relationship with her own mother. She now brings it to The Lyric Theatre in Bridport on Friday, March 10th, accompanied by an exhibition

of the research and a free workshop for mothers and daughters the following day.

Mother and Daughter: I'm Glad I Asked is a funny, tender heart-felt, one woman show drawn from workshops across the area with local women and life with Michele's own 91-year-old mother, Gena. It is an honest and truthful reflection on what it means to have an older parent and the questions we need to ask, but rarely get the chance to. We often hear people say "If only I asked!" when a parent is no longer with us but Michele is determined to change that.

Michele and her director Katherina Radeva were at The Lyric for a fortnight in September last year to create the piece.

Michele says, "The Lyric was a beautiful creation space to work in and we can't wait to bring the finished show back here."

Tickets are £12, available in advance from Bridport Arts Centre: 01308 424204 / www.bridport-arts.com and BearKat Bistro, or on the door if available from 7pm.

An exhibition of the research and work that took place in workshops in Dorset over the last year takes place on Friday, March at 8pm (doors 7pm).

A free memory workshop for Mothers and Daughters (16yrs+) takes place on Saturday, March 11th, 11am to 12.30pm.



Howzat?! One-man show about cricket legend comes to Dorchester

THE HIGH SHERIFF of Dorset and Dorset County Cricket Club are combining to sponsor a second performance in the county of the one-man show "When the Eye Has Gone", to be staged in the Theatre of the Thomas Hardy School in Dorchester at 7.30pm on Monday, March 20th. All proceeds will be divided between the Dorset Shrievalty Charitable Trust and the mental health charity MIND.

Those of us with longish memories and a love of cricket may remember Colin (Ollie) Milburn as one of England's most exciting and likeable players, whose star burned brightly, but, sadly, all too briefly.

This is the theme of a brilliant one-man show, "When the eye has gone", based on his life, which is taking place on Monday, March 20th at 7.30pm, at the Thomas Hardy School Theatre, Queens Avenue, Dorchester DT1 2ET.

The show received great reviews in *The Guardian* and *The Telegraph*, and from its tour around the 18 first-class counties. The attached press releases give more details of both the show and the Shrievalty Fund/MIND charity, to

which proceeds will be given.

Tickets are only £10. To reserve tickets, contact Mike Williams on 01305 756593 or mikewilliams969@hotmail.com.



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Katy has been storytelling for 20 years across Britain and beyond. She is well-known for unravelling epic narratives into compelling, glittering stories that linger in the mind long after they are told.

The storytelling begins at 7.30pm on Friday, March 17th. The evening is suitable for adults and older children. Tickets are £8 (£5 concessions) available on the night and in advance from Bridport Arts Centre box office 01308 424204 or website www.bridport-arts.com



Oh My Country!

Shappi Khorsandi talks everything from Morris Dancing to Morrissey in her new show

SHAPPI is celebrating the fortieth anniversary of her arrival in Britain. She's reclaiming patriotism, sending a love letter to her adopted land. Please don't come if you're a skinhead (though naturally bald folk are welcome).

Star of Live At The Apollo, Michael McIntyre's Comedy Roadshow, Friday Night with Jonathan Ross, Have I Got News for You and Q.I, she is back with a brand new show for 2017.

She has whip-crack jokes and is effortlessly funny as she handles every subject with a razor sharp wit, softened only by

her deliciously mischievous delivery and endless charm.

Shappi Khorsandi is also the best selling author of 'A Beginners Guide to Acting English' and her debut novel 'Nina is not OK' is published by Ebury in July 2016. Shappi was also recently elected president of the British Humanist society.

Shappi Khorsandi comes to Bridport Arts Centre this Friday, March 10th at 8pm. Tickets are £15, and £13 concessions, available online at www.bridport-arts.com or by calling 01308 424204. The show is suitable for over 16s only.

Salaam

Sonia Sabri Company bring 'peace' to Dorset

SALAAM, meaning 'peace', is Sonia Sabri Company's latest stunning creation, devised in response to the unrest around the world. This double-bill programme cleverly weaves a dialogue between live music and Kathak dance, and will be touring to Dorset in March through Artsreach, the counties touring arts charity.

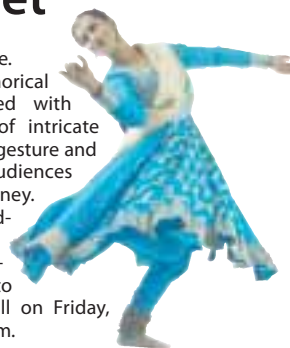
Sonia Sabri Company is one of Britain's leading South Asian Dance and Music companies, exciting the

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vibrating a resonance.

Poignant metaphorical narratives combined with Sonia's command of intricate footwork, eloquent gesture and rapid spins takes audiences on a powerful journey. Early booking is advised.

Sonia Sabri Company bring **Salaam** to Halstock Village Hall on Friday, March 17th at 7.30pm.



SHAPPI KHORSANDI
Fri 10 Mar, 8pm

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BERLIN, 1940. Working class couple Otto and Anna Quangel receive the news that their only son has lost his life in the battlefield and decide to resist the Nazi regime in their very own way. Soon the Gestapo is hunting "the threat".

Stars Emma Thompson, Daniel Brühl and Brendan Gleeson.

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Fri, Mar 10th - Thu, Mar 16th

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Fist Fight ¹⁵

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Kong: Skull Island ^{12A}

Fri-Mon: 11.30, 14.30, 17.30, 20.30

Tue-Thu: 17.30, 20.30

Logan ¹⁵

Fri-Sun: 14.00, 17.15, 20.00

Tue-Thu: 17.15, 20.00

Sing 2D ¹⁵

Fri-Sun: 11.45, 14.45

The Lego Batman Movie ^U

Sat: 11.00, 13.45, Sun: 11.45, 14.30

The Time of Their Lives ¹⁵

Fri, Mon: 11.45, 14.45, 17.45, 20.45

Sat, Sun, Tue-Thu: 17.45, 20.45

Viceroy's House ^{12A}

Fri, Mon: 11.15, 14.15, 17.00

Sat & Sun: 11.15, 17.00

Tue-Thu: 17.00

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Pete's Dragon ^{PG}

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Fifty Shades Darker ¹⁸

Fri, Mon-Thu: 17.50,

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Finding Dory ^U

Sat & Sun: 10.30am

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Fri, Mon, Wed, Thu: 12.00, 21.15,

Sat & Sun: 21.15

Hidden Figures ^{PG}

Fri, Mon, Wed, Thu: 13.30, 17.15,

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John Wick: Chapter 2 ¹⁵

Daily: 17.30

Kong: Skull Island 3D ^{12A}

Daily: 12.45, 18.15

Kong: Skull Island 2D ^{12A}

Fri: 14.20, 15.30, 17.10, 19.00,

20.00, 21.00, 21.40

Sat & Sun: 11.30, 14.20, 15.30,

17.10, 19.00, 20.00, 21.00, 21.40

Mon-Thu: 14.20, 15.30, 17.10,

19.00, 20.00, 21.00

Lion ^{PG}

Fri, Mon-Thu: 12.00, 20.40,

Sat & Sun: 19.50

Logan ¹⁵

Fri, Mon-Tue, Thu: 13.10, 14.10,

16.20, 17.20, 19.30, 20.30

Sat: 11.00, 13.10, 14.10, 16.20,

19.30, 21.20

Sun: 11.00, 13.10, 14.10, 16.20,

17.20, 19.30, 20.30

Wed: 13.10, 14.10, 16.20, 17.20,

19.30

Moonlight ¹⁵

Fri: 13.00, Sat: 11.50, 20.20

Sun: 20.20,

Mon-Thu: 12.30, 15.10, 20.20

Patriots Day ¹⁵

Fri, Mon-Thu: 13.00,

Sat & Sun: 11.40am

Sing ^U

Fri, Mon-Thu: 16.30,

Sat & Sun: 11.15, 13.50, 16.30

The Great Wall ^{12A}

Daily: 14.40

The Lego Batman Movie 2D ^U

Fri: 16.00, Sat: 12.30, 13.30,

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Mon-Thu: 16.00

The Time of Their Lives ^{12A}

Fri, Mon-Thu: 12.15, 18.30,

Sun: 18.30

Viceroy's House ^{12A}

Fri, Mon-Tue, Thu: 15.00, 20.10,

Sat & Sun: 14.30, 20.10

Wed: 15.00, 20.30

Young Musicians' Spring Concert in aid of Julia's House

DORCHESTER will be treated to a special concert given by young musicians from local schools on Sunday, March 19th.

There will be a varied programme of music performed by young people of all ages, brought together by the Dorchester Area Schools Partnership.

The concert will be held in the Corn Exchange, from 2.30pm – 4.30pm. (Doors open at 2pm). There will be free entry and a retiring collection for Julia's House, the Dorset children's hospice.

Refreshments will be served, and there is also a special raffle. Do come along and hear the amazing talent of our local young people.

Banff Mountain Film Festival returns bigger than ever!

THE Banff Mountain Film Festival World Tour is back in the UK and Ireland for 2017, with more screenings and more action than ever before.

Featuring an evening of exhilarating adventure films, the tour comes to Weymouth Pavilion on Friday, March 24th.

"It's fantastic to be back with our biggest tour yet – a reflection of the enormous appetite for adventure that UK and Irish audiences have," says Tour Director Nell Teasdale.

"The Banff Tour is more than a series of exhilarating film nights. Each screening offers a real sense of community, bringing together people with a wide range of outdoor passions. And we guarantee that viewers will leave with new enthusiasm and inspiration for their own adventures too!"

The short films, starring the world's top adventurers on exciting journeys in mind-blowing destinations, are selected from hundreds of films entered into the prestigious Banff Mountain Film Festival held every year in the Canadian Rockies.

This year's UK and Ireland tour includes 14 hugely diverse films, featuring everything from tales of high-adrenaline action to poignant environmental documentaries. There's also a significant focus on women in adventure; and the collection stars a number of UK adventurers, as well as athletes and escapades from all over the globe.

The films are split between two different programmes, each lasting about 2 1/2 hours, with free prize giveaways at each screening. The tour is part of the wider Banff World Tour, which travels the globe each year, visiting nearly 50 countries and reaching more than 400,000 people worldwide.

The full film programme is available at www.banff-uk.com/films.



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UNTIL WEDNESDAY MARCH 15th

LYME REGIS: Dorset based artists Esme James and Lucy Tidbury will be displaying their original paintings and prints inspired by the English countryside alongside local furniture designer Jason Cameron with a selection of his contemporary hardwood furniture at this exhibition entitled Essence of Nature. Open daily 10.30-4.00. Free admission. The Courtyard Gallery, The Town Mill, Mill Lane, Lyme Regis DT7 3PU

UNTIL SUNDAY MARCH 19th

LYME REGIS: Art in Action sees four local painters of landscapes, abstracts and mixed media—Julie Oldfield, Philip Clayton, Irina Song and Duncan Harris—turn the Malthouse into their open studio for two weeks. Open daily 10.30-4.00. Free admission. The Malthouse Gallery, The Town Mill, Mill Lane, Lyme Regis DT7 3PU

WEDNESDAY MARCH 8th

DORCHESTER: Classic film 'Reach for the Sky' showing at Age UK Dorchester. Cinema lights will dim at 1.45pm, tea and biscuits served during the showing for just £1.50, ice creams also available. Everyone welcome. For more details call 01305 269444.

MARTINSTOWN: Chair-based exercise. Martinstown Village Hall. 11am. For more details call 01308 426390.

LYME REGIS: Lent lunches at St Michael's Parish Church Hall, 12.30-1.30pm. In aid of Christian Aid.

THURSDAY MARCH 9th

DORCHESTER: 'Auricles for Everyone' talk by Gil & Lesley Roberts of Pop's Plants, National Collection Holders of Auriculas. At the Conference Room, Kingston Maurward College. 7pm for 7.30pm. Visitors welcome £2.50, students £1 at the door.

DORCHESTER: Thursday Group meeting at St George's Church Hall. Wendy Hilton will give a presentation of her holiday to India, covering visits relating to religion, palaces, mausoleums and street life. Start at 2.15pm, and the charge is £1, which includes a biscuit and a cup of tea/coffee. All are welcome. For more details call 01305 269834.

EYPE, BRIDPORT: Aqua fit classes for all ages and abilities. Get fit while having fun in the water. 10.30-11.30am, Highland's End swimming pool. Also Baby and Toddler classes 11.30-12noon. Contact Penny Yarnold on 07970 879 047 for more details. Swimming lessons also available.

FRIDAY MARCH 10th

WEYMOUTH: Knot and Natter Coffee Morning 11am-12noon. Afternoon Talk by Anna Pavord - gardening correspondent. Time and admission to be confirmed. All events at Weymouth Library. More details from The Secretary on 01305 832613. Knit and Natter contact 01305 777476. Booking advisable.

BRIDPORT: Christian Aid Lent Soup & Roll Lunch. At Catherine & St Mary Church, at Swithuns Church, Allington. Everybody is welcome to this friendly and relaxed lunch. Suggested donation of £2.50. 2.45pm.

ASKERSWELL: Stott Pilates, Askerswell Village Hall 9.30 to 10.30am. Book or turn up on the day. Every Friday. For more details call 07585356929 or email Debbie.rushen@googlemail.com

LYME REGIS: U3A Heritage Coast. 'The Victorian Head Gardener': a talk by Francis Burroughes. Discover the fascinating life of the Victorian country estate from the perspective of those 'on the ground'. Woodmead Halls, Hill Road, Lyme Regis DT7 3PG. Coffee/tea from 10.00am, talk at 11.00am. Free for members, suggested donation for talk £2 to non-members. More information about the U3A at website lymeregisu3a.org or phone 01297-444566.

MARTINSTOWN: Exercise to Music. Martinstown Village Hall. 10am. For more details call 01308 426390.

WEST BAY, BRIDPORT: Exercise to Music. WI Hall, George Street. 3pm. For more details call 01308 426390.

SATURDAY MARCH 11th

LODERS: West Dorset Group of the SDFHS meeting at Loders Village Hall. 2.00. Roy Stockdill will talk about 'Celebrities with Dorset Roots' including Judi Dench, Ricky Gervais, Kate Winslet and Emma Chambers. All welcome, members £1.50, visitors £3.00 includes tea and biscuits. For more details contact Jane on 01308 425710 or email: jferentzi@aol.com

OSMINGTON: Coffee Morning in aid of Weldmar at Craig's Farm Dairy. 10am-12.30pm. Coffee/tea and cake £2. Raffle.

UPLYME: Jumble Sale and Coffee Morning at Uplyme Village Hall. 11am-1pm. Free entry. Books, games, toys, DVDs, bric-a-brac, refreshments, cakes and much more!

MONDAY MARCH 13th

BURTON BRADSTOCK: Bionanza at Othona. Express, Connect, Relax! Dance like no one's watching, no steps to learn, no partner needed, uplifting world music and holistic health benefits. For all ages from 19 to 90. 7.15pm for 7.30pm. Join in bimonthly with teacher Julia Hope-Brightwell (Jewell). Cost £8

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BEAMINSTER: Moviola presents 'Miss Peregrine's Home for Peculiar Children' at Beaminster Public Hall. Doors 7pm, film 7.30pm. Tickets at Yarn Barton 01308 862715. Weekdays 9.30-12.30, and Saturdays 9.30-1pm. Or call 01308 861746. £5 in advance, £5.50 on the door.

SOUTHILL: The next meeting of the Radipole & Southill Horticultural Society will be held at the Southill Community Centre on Monday 13 March at 7.30pm. The invited speaker is Bob Ford and he will presenting on the subject of 'Radipole before the RSPB'. Refreshments will be available and everyone is welcome.

BRIDPORT: Exercise to Music. WI Hall, North Street. 5.45pm. For more details call 01308 426390.

EYPE, BRIDPORT: Aqua fit classes for all ages and abilities. Get fit while having fun in the water. 10.30-11.30am, Highland's End swimming pool. Also Baby and Toddler classes 11.30-12noon. Contact Penny Yarnold on 07970 879 047 for more details. Swimming lessons also available.

TUESDAY MARCH 14th

ASKERSWELL: Stott Pilates, Askerswell Village Hall 9.30 to 10.30am. Book or turn up on the day. Every Friday. For more details call 07585356929 or email Debbie.rushen@googlemail.com

BRIDPORT: Bridport History Society, United Church Hall, East St. Bridport. 2.30. Eric Galvin will talk about 'Joseph Clark a popular Victorian artist and his world' Joseph was from Cerne Abbas. All welcome, members £1.00, visitors £2.50. For more details contact Jane on 01308 425710 or email: jferentzi@aol.com

WEST BAY, BRIDPORT: Chair-based Exercise. WI Hall, George Street. 10.15am. For more details call 01308 426390.

BROADWINDSOR: Broadwindsor Jammers Guitar Club, Comrades Hall, Broadwindsor, 2pm - 5pm. Every 2nd Tuesday. Simply turn up with your acoustic guitar and music stand, if you have one, and enjoy a fun afternoon of playing popular songs from most genres using song sheets with chords provided. All ages and abilities welcome. The cost for the afternoon is only £3 which includes refreshments at half-time. For further information phone Geoff on 01308 867221 or email geoff381@hotmail.com

WEDNESDAY MARCH 15th

EYPE, NEAR BRIDPORT: West Dorset Decorative & Fine Arts Society lecture. 'Eric Ravilious - A Life In Pictures' speaker James Russell. At Highlands End Leisure Centre, 2.30pm. For more details call 01297 443615.

MARTINSTOWN: Chair-based exercise. Martinstown Village Hall. 11am. For more details call 01308 426390.

UPLYME: Uplyme and Lyme Regis Horticultural Society trip to the National Trust's Kingston Lacy. We hope the snowdrops will still be in full bloom, there will be a guided tour of the house and garden laid on, so plenty to see and do whatever the weather.

The coach leaves Uplyme Village Hall at 9 am - for National Trust members the cost is £12, non-members £21. If you are not a member of ULRHS you are still welcome for an extra £3. Please ring Jenny Harding on 01297 444034 to book your place, as son as possible so that numbers can be finalised.

LYME REGIS: Lent lunches at St Michael's Parish Church Hall, 12.30-1.30pm. In aid of Christian Aid.

DORCHESTER: Coffee Pop in at Dorchester Community Church, Acland Road. 9.30am-12noon. A warm welcome awaits as well as a tea or coffee. Stall selling small items including books, bric-a-brac, and handcrafted greetings cards for all occasions. All proceeds are for the work of Dorcas Wessex Trust. Everyone welcome. Come and bring a friend.

DORCHESTER: Aquinas Piano Trio at Dorchester County Museum, 7.30pm. Ruth Rogers (violin), Katherine Jenkinson (cello), Martin Cousin (piano), Sarah-Jane Bradley (viola) and Paul Kimber (double bass) perform pieces by Schubert and Brahms.

THURSDAY MARCH 16th

LYME REGIS: Lyme Bay Photographic Club Horse-shoes 5-club competition at Kilmington Village Hall, 7.30pm.

EYPE, BRIDPORT: Aqua fit classes for all ages and abilities. Get fit while having fun in the water. 10.30-11.30am, Highland's End swimming pool. Also Baby and Toddler classes 11.30-12noon. Contact Penny Yarnold on 07970 879 047 for more details. Swimming lessons also available.

FRIDAY MARCH 17th

LYME REGIS: Lyme Bay Photographic Club talk. Speaker: Bruce Upton, from Bridport Museum, will talk about 'All Stations to West Bay' plus show various portraits of local people. At Woodmead Halls DT7 3PG.

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Showtime

ON THE SHOWBIZ BEAT

Time to turn the mobiles off, theatregoers

MY THEATRICAL enjoyment was once again hampered this week by the scourge of the mobile phone.

It comes in a week when the government has introduced stiffer penalties for those using their phone while driving and I think we should all take a long hard look at our need for almost constant engagement with the digital world.

Those of you who know me well, will have noticed that I'm a bit of a slave to social media and I hate missing emails or messages, however I would never have my phone on in the car and would die of embarrassment if it ever went off in the theatre.

During a media night performance of *Wicked* last week the couple sitting in front of me intermittently checked their social media throughout the performance, which was hugely dis-

tracting for those around them.

We are not talking about the sound of ringing or even the odd ping of a message (which most people thankfully now understand to be inappropriate) but instead a continuous influx of light pollution, which detracted from the carefully crafted ambience.

What many people don't realise is that your phone acts as a spotlight when you're in the theatre, so everyone on stage and around the auditorium can see you.

In fact, when I perched in an onstage seat at a recent performance of *This House* at the Garrick Theatre, one particular numpty was lit up like a carnival float for most of Act one, as she couldn't bear to be away from her phone.

It's generally not young people who are the main cul-

prits either, and I just wish we could fine the perpetrators and use the money to pay for those less fortunate to attend in their stead.

I know hundreds of people who simply can't afford to see West End shows and yet night after night there are rude and selfish people who buy tickets and then don't pay attention to the production.

Someone once told me that they had a family emergency and so they had to keep the phone on just in case the situation changed. If you've got a family emergency, why the devil are you going to the theatre in the first place?

Worse than that, at my most recent visit to the Arts Theatre for a press performance, a reviewer who was sitting next to me kept lighting up to check messages throughout. I scowled at



■ Ralf Little and Kate Fleetwood star in the harrowing *Ugly Lies the Bone* at the National Theatre
Photo by Mark Douet

him, but he didn't take the hint.

I have previously simply told people to turn their phones off, but you are never sure if you're going to be greeted with an angry response, so I've become more careful recently.

It's not just phones that cause anger among regular theatregoers and this week the issue of whether food should be allowed has been a hot topic.

Imelda Staunton hit the headlines last year by saying food should be banned from the theatre and this week the producers of her latest play, *Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf* at the Harold Pinter Theatre have granted her wish.

An article on The Stage's website (www.thestage.co.uk) claims that in an email to ticket bookers, Ambassador Theatre Group – which operates the Harold Pinter – said

no food would be allowed to be eaten during the show.

"Out of consideration for the actors and for fellow audience members, we ask that no food be consumed during the performance," it said.

I don't want to discourage people from going to the theatre, but if you can't manage a couple of hours without eating or checking your phone, well in my opinion, you shouldn't be there.

As you can gather, it really gets my goat and the stage world has been filled with discussions over the best course of action for a long time.

Right, that's my rant over. I didn't let the phone issue ruin my time in the capital and I had a busy week filled with theatre outings, which included another trip to see *Wicked* (awesome as usual) a visit to the Apollo to see Tom Stoppard's *Travesties* (a bit above me!) and my first ever visit to the National

Theatre to see a play called *Ugly Lies the Bone*, which was pretty harrowing stuff.

I also auditioned for my latest local stage foray and I will let you know if I was successful in due course.

Next week I'm off to see *The Diary of a Teenage Girl* at Southwark Playhouse and as I'm a custodian of a female adolescent, I'm approaching it with trepidation.

I'll also have the pleasure of seeing Harry Potter star Daniel Radcliffe on stage at the Old Vic, which is very exciting and I've got a few celebrity interviews on the cards.

You can read all of my reviews and interviews on our websites londonnewsonline.co.uk and viewnews.co.uk or you can follow me on Twitter for regular updates @NickySweetland



■ Eating has been banned during performances of Imelda Staunton's new play



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5 TIPS FOR CENTRAL HEATING

By Julia Gray, Press Association

1. The size of your home, especially the number of bathrooms or shower rooms you have, and how much heating and hot water your household uses, will largely determine your choice of boiler. There are three main types of boiler: regular, system and combi. Regular boilers need a cylinder (to store hot water) and tanks. System boilers also need a hot-water cylinder, which allows them to feed several outlets, such as taps and showers, at the same time, but they don't need tanks.

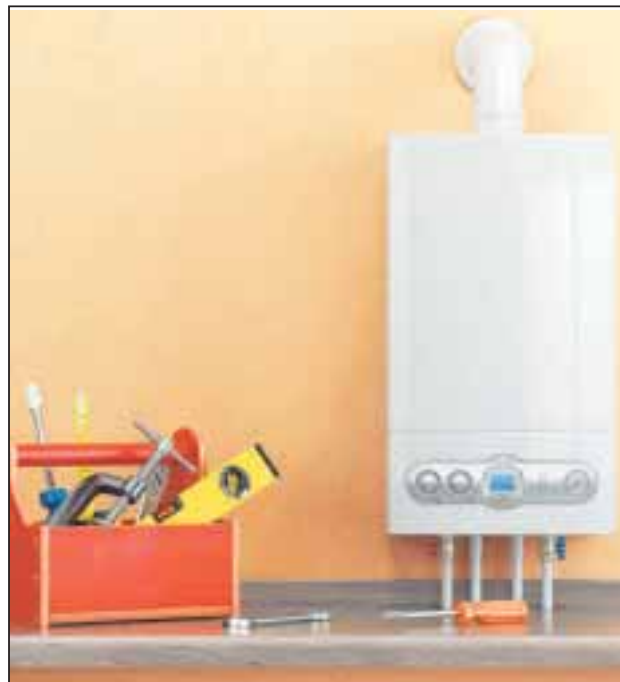
2. Combis are a popular choice, as you only have to find room for the boiler itself - there are no tanks or cylinder, although some combis have a built-in tank, which gives the higher flow rate needed in a bigger property. Combis heat water on demand, so you only pay for what you use, and they deliver it at mains pressure. Combis are most suitable for homes with one bathroom/shower room, although they can work in homes with two, providing they're powerful enough. If you have more bathrooms than that, a combi probably isn't suitable.

3. If you're renovating a property that hasn't been updated in decades, it may be necessary to change the whole central heating system. A new boiler, cylinder, radiators and adjustable radiator valves should make a big difference to how good - and efficient - the system is, but don't overlook the pipework. If the central heating system is gravity fed and you're switching to a pressurised system, the pipework will be under pressure for the first time and may leak as a result. Old copper pipework may not be done to today's standards and may even be leaking without you knowing, so leaving it in place can be a false economy. Most plumbers now use plastic pipework where it can't be seen, such as under floorboards, because it's quicker and easier to fit than copper. They should use copper where it can be seen, such as radiator pipes, and close to the boiler, where it's too hot for plastic.

4. If your boiler has a hot-water cylinder, you may want to get rid of it by fitting a combi, or relocate the cylinder, as new cylinders are often a different shape and size to old ones. This could free up space in your bathroom for a shower cubicle where the airing cupboard/cylinder was, for example.

Old boilers also tend to be large, but many new ones aren't and some are so small that they fit in a kitchen wall unit, saving space and giving the kitchen a neater look because the boiler's hidden.

5. Think about any big home improvements, such as an extension or loft conversion, you may make in future and how this will impact on the boiler. Will the existing boiler be able to comfortably supply more radiators and bathrooms, or will you need a new one? If there's a tank for the boiler in the loft and you're planning to convert the loft, the tank will probably have to be changed to one that fits in the eaves' storage, so a boiler without tanks may be better.



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VOLVO Cars, the premium car maker, today revealed the long-awaited new XC60 premium SUV at the Geneva Motor Show. The new car replaces Volvo's highly successful original XC60, which in the nine years since its launch became the best-selling premium mid-sized SUV in Europe, with nearly a million units sold globally. The XC60 today represents around 30 per cent of Volvo's total global sales.

"We have a strong heritage in designing stylish and dynamic SUVs that offer the latest in technology. The new XC60 will be no exception. It's the perfect car for an active lifestyle, and it represents the next step in our transformation plan," said Håkan Samuelsson, President and Chief Executive, Volvo Car Group.

New comfort and safety technology

The new XC60, one of the safest cars ever made, is fully loaded with new technology. Steer Assist has been added to the ground-breaking City Safety

system. A new safety system called Oncoming Lane Mitigation uses Steer Assist to help mitigate head-on collisions, while Volvo's Blind Spot Indication System (BLIS) now uses Steer Assist functionality to reduce the risk of lane-changing collisions.

"We have focused on building a car that can deliver pleasure to all of your senses – from a commanding view of the road ahead in a beautifully appointed and calm cabin, to a safe, inspired and confident ride," said Henrik Green, Senior Vice President Product & Quality at Volvo Car Group. "We've paid particular attention to making life easier for our customers by providing them with the creature comforts and services that take the hassle out of everyday life."

Pilot Assist, Volvo's advanced semi-autonomous driver-assistance system, which takes care of steering, acceleration and braking on well-marked roads up to 130 km/h, is available in the new XC60 as an option.

Performance

The new XC60 offers Volvo's award-winning T8 Twin Engine petrol plug-in hybrid at the top of the powertrain range, delivering 407 hp and acceleration from 0-100 km/h in just 5.3 seconds.

"We have a wide range of powertrains. The new XC60 will be launched with the diesel D4 engine at 190 hp and the D5 with PowerPulse technology delivering 235 hp. We also have the petrol-powered T5 delivering 254 hp and the T6 which, with both turbo and superchargers attached, delivers 320 hp and 400 Nm of torque," added Henrik Green.

But it is not just under the bonnet that the new XC60 delivers healthy performance. The new CleanZone four-zone climate control system removes harmful pollutants and particles from outside the cabin to deliver Scandinavian-fresh air on the inside.

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experience, which will make our customers feel special," said Thomas Ingenlath, Senior Vice President, Design at Volvo Car Group.

Volvo Cars' new XC60 is set to go into production in mid-April at the Torslanda Plant in Sweden.



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Widerridge Res	13	-3 24
LYME REGIS	16	12 23
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Beaminster	15	57 37
South Petherton	15	34 34
Barrington	14	29 34
Shepton Beauchamp	14	16 29
Misterton	14	43 26
W & M Chinnock	16	-1 26
W & M Chinnock	15	-12 13
Netherbury	14	-27 12
Chard Utd	12	-8 11
Combe Reserves	14	-41 5*
Drimpton	15	-90 0

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Pymore	11	17 24
Forton Rangers	12	32 23
Waytown Hounds	12	17 23
Merriott Rovers	13	30 20
Hawkhurst Utd	8	18 16
Uplymere	11	10 14
Shepton Beau Res	12	-8 14*
Ilminster Colts	11	-6 13
Combe A	11	-14 8
S.Petherton Res	13	-96 2

Perry St Div 2 (18) Pld	GD	Pts
Chard Rangers	12	28 30
Halstock	11	40 27
Farway Utd	13	24 27
Charmouth	15	27 26
Winsham Utd Res	13	6 22
Dowlish & Donyatt	13	-12 15
Thorncombe	14	-12 13
Kingsbury Epis	15	-32 12
Crewkerne Rangers	10	-10 7
Chard Utd Res	12	-59 6

Perry St Div 3 (24) Pld	GD	Pts
Misterton Reserves	14	65 35
Uplymere Reserves	12	37 27
Forton Rangers Res	11	35 27
Merriott Dynamos	13	5 23
Ilminster Town A	16	-15 23
Crewk Rangers Res	14	10 20
Thorncombe Res	14	-3 19
Lyme Regis Rovers	14	9 17*
Fivehead	12	-12 16
Chard Rangers Res	15	-26 11
Farway Utd Res	14	-32 9
Chard Utd All Stars	13	-73 2*

Seasiders sunk at Vikings stronghold

Baker cooks up vital win for Beaminster with crucial pen - Halstock in county final - Netherbury a step closer to safety

DEVON & EXETER LEAGUE
SIDMOUTH TOWN RES 2 LYME REGIS 0
Division One
LYME Regis hopes of a top three finish took another blow as they slumped to their third successive defeat.

Heavy rain made the Manstone Road surface greasy and both sides struggled to find any rhythm throughout the 90 minutes.

Conditions like that usually lead to difficulty for defenders in turning and makes keepers nervy in their handling. But both backlines played well with the creative players on show having little or no impact.

The opening half hour was largely forgettable and devoid of goal mouth action, so the opening goal came as something of a surprise as a superb cross was dug out from right by the corner flag by Hungarian winger Ferenc Bodor and reached Will Jenkins who nodded the ball into the top corner.

Lyme missed a golden chance of getting back level three minutes before the interval when Cody Bowditch cut in from his left wing berth and was upended in the area but Rob Fellingham's tame sport kick was well saved by Vikings' keeper Adam Bartlett down low to his right. The visitors were forced into a reshuffle three minutes after the turnaround when skipper Gary Knight was forced off with a knee injury to be replaced by Tristan Gale with Kieren White, making a welcome return in a Lyme shirt, moving to centre back.

Lyme enjoyed their best spell of the game leading up to the hour mark. Ben Turner toiled away to create an opening for Julien Simier but he shot wide when well placed and strike partner Dec Ellis also fired wide after engineering a yard of space.

Sidmouth went close at the other end with a shot that bravely parried and the rebound was smacked against the crossbar.

Bowditch was withdrawn midway through the half and his replacement Fred Parsons immediately went close with a cross that clipped the top of the bar.

But it was a rare bright moment for Lyme and they conceded again late on when Cleal, who had an otherwise fine game along with full backs Sam Day and Matt Laing, miskicked an attempted clearance on the deteriorating surface and Ollie Turton rolled the ball into the empty net.

On this showing, the return of influential midfielders Mark Bailey (broken toe) and Darren Lock (unavailable) cannot come a moment too soon for the Seasiders.

Before the game a minute's silence was observed in memory of Sidmouth youngster Sam Marriott who died recently.

Lyme Regis (4-4-2): Lee Cleal, Sam Day, Gary Knight [Capt] (Tristan Gale 48), Dominic Rowe, Matt Laing, Kieren White, Cody Bowditch (Fred Parsons 67), Rob Fellingham, Ben Turner, Julien Simier (Ryan King 86).

Other Division One results
Exmouth Town Res 4 Alphington Reserves 2
Wellington Town Reserves 2 Colyton 1

Lyme Regis Res P-P Elmore Reserves
Division Six
DAVEY Fort waterlogged.

Other division six results
Hemyock 0 Winkleigh 2
Offwell Rangers 4 Silverton 0
Stoke Hill 3 Halwill Reserves 7

DORSET JUNIOR CUP SEMI FINAL
STURMINSTER MARSHALL 1 HALSTOCK 2
HALSTOCK, the last PSDL team to lift the Dorset Minor Cup back in 1989, reached the Junior cup final after coming from behind to beat hosts Sturminster Marshall.

The hosts, who are running away with the Dorset League Division Three, took the lead on the half hour, but striker Mark Cawley chased down a ball over the top and this led to his marker putting through his own goal from the edge of the area to square things up at 1-1.

Halstock, cheered on by a coachload of 52 hooter-toting supporters, then lost Sam Blatch through injury but his replacement Lewis Bennie headed home what proved to be the winner just before half time from a Cawley corner.

"We had to really dig deep in the second half but still created four good chances so I think we deserved the win," said Manager Adge Diment who was on the scoresheet when Halstock lifted the Minor Cup beating Wimborne-based Tudor Paving some 28 years ago.

Halstock's opponents in the final (April 6th, 7.45pm ko) will be Okeford United who currently lie second in the Dorset League Division Two.

PREMIER
COMBE RESERVES 0 MISTERTON 7
JASON Rendell scored four times as Misterton drove another nail into Combe reserves' relegation coffin.

Mike McCormack, Harvey Saunders and Grant Symes also netted for a rampant Missy.

Netherbury 1 Winsham Utd 0
NETHERBURY continued their fine form with victory against a physical Winsham team.

The home team were dominant for large parts of the game and the score-line should have been more convincing.

In truth the Ambers were short of quite a few players, but the replacements stepped up and grabbed another vital three points in their quest to stay in the premier division.

After controlling the first 25 minutes, but failing to create too many clear cut chances, Ryan Kingston whipped in a cross that Owen Ward headed against the foot of the post.

Arthur Gay in the Ambers goal did not have much to do and kept his second clean sheet of the season.

Josh James filled in for the injured club captain and had a superb game at centre back, clearing up everything at the back.

The second half provided many chances for the Ambers, and Ward finally got the deserved breakthrough after a fine through ball from Coombs.

Coombs' midfield partner Steward then provided another perfect through ball for Ward to sprint clear and finish superbly into the top corner, only to be flagged offside - wrongly in Ambers' opinion.

The Winsham keeper had a few other saves to make before the end of the match, but Netherbury held

Advantage Sidmouth



■ **GOAL:** Will Jenkins (red shirt, left) rises highest to head Sidmouth Town Reserves into the lead in Saturday's match with Lyme Regis at Manstone Road
Photo by HOWARD LARCOMBE

firm to take them another step closer to survival.

SHEPTON BEAUCHAMP 0 BEAMINSTER 1
A JOSH Baker penalty virtually ended Shepton Beauchamp's title hopes and kept depleted Beaminster's very much alive after a cagey 1-0 win at Brimgrove Lane.

The spot kick was awarded when referee John Boulton spotted a foul on Baker.

Brad Pitman had the best chance for the hosts after linking well with sibling Ben but blazed over the bar.

"I felt we deserved to take something from the game but credit to Beaminster for grinding out the win," said Shepton player-manager Doug Whitfield.

Rainbows' boss Gordy Childs was delighted with the win, he told **View Sport**: "We had half a dozen regulars unavailable so we knew we had to stay solid and not concede at set-pieces."

"The game was won by our defence of Rich Runyard, Dean Hyett, Dan Baggs and Jamie McClements with Ryan Gall shielding in front of them."

"Shepton were strong and are sure to have a big say in the latter stages of the season. I felt they should have had a player sent off for the foul that led to the penalty."

Childs had a mention for Dean Newman who was playing his first match of the season and lasted 85 minutes, while Baggs superbly marshaled the threat posed by the towering Kris Hastings.

SOUTH PETHERTON 3 CHARD UTD 1
A BRACE of penalties from Shane Adcock-Case in a 3-1 win over Chard United saw second placed South Petherton maintain the pressure at the top. Mark Nelms was brought down midway through the first half for the opening spot kick.

The lead was doubled 10 minutes later when the move of the match saw a clever one-two between Ashley Smith and Dean Smith ended with the latter slotting the ball home.

A handball on the hour mark allowed Adcock-Case to convert his second spot-kick of the match and Dan Scriven's late strike was no more than a consolation for the visitors.

"We weren't at our best but it's three more points," said Petty boss

Karl Diment.

W & M CHINNOCK 2 BARRINGTON 3
IT now appears to be a three-horse race with Barrington right up in the mix after a hard-fought 3-2 win at West & Middle Chinnock.

Liam Bennett fired the hosts ahead but Simon Cherry nodded in the equaliser with the Chinnock linesman confirming that the ball had crossed the line.

Barrington edged ahead with a Gary Warren penalty after referee Tom Richardson had spotted a push on Andy Whitefield.

Back came the Chinnocks and Matt Harvey made it 2-2 following some good saves from Barrington keeper Stu Parris.

The winner was headed home at the back post by Adam Dawe after good work from sub Mike Whitefield.

DIVISION ONE
UPLYME P-P COMBE ST NICHOLAS A
VENLAKE pitch waterlogged.

DIVISION TWO
CHARMOUTH 1 KINGSBURY EPISCOPI 2
CHARMOUTH'S slim promotion hopes received what looks like a bodyblow with a surprise defeat at the hands of lowly Kingsbury at Barrs Lane on Saturday.

The visitors took the lead in the fifth minute when Ollie Osbourne was brought down in the penalty area and Giles McGilvray stepped up and placed the resulting penalty right up in the bracket.

And it got worse for the Robins when Lewis Bowditch's free kick doubled the Kings lead before half time.

A switch from 4-4-2 to 3-1-4-2 at the interval boosted the hosts who put in a much improved second half showing.

Paul Miners pulled one back with his seventh goal of the season but the damage had been done in the opening 45 minutes.

The result leaves Charmouth probably needing to win all of their remaining three fixtures, including trips to rivals Chard Rangers and Halstock, if they are to make a late bid for a top two finish.

FIXTURES

Saturday, March 11th
(Cup games 2pm ko, League 2.30pm)

CHALLENGE CUP SEMI-FINALS
Beaminster v Misterton
Shepton Beauchamp v Netherbury
REG EGLON CUP QUARTER FINALS
Chard Utd All Stars v Forton Rangers Reserves
Chard Rangers Res v Thorncombe Reserves
Crewkerne Rangers Res v Farway Utd Reserves
Ilminster Town A v Uplymere Reserves
DAISY HUTCHINGS CUP QUARTER FINALS
Forton Rangers v Pymore
Ilminster Town Colts v Merriott Rovers
KEN HODGES CUP QUARTER FINAL
Farway Utd v Charmouth
PREMIER
Chard Utd v Barrington
Combe Reserves v West & Middle Chinnock
Drimpton v South Petherton
DIVISION ONE
Combe St Nicholas A v Ilminster Town Colts
Hawkhurst Utd v Shepton Beauchamp Res
DIVISION TWO
Dowlish & Donyatt v Halstock
Winsham Utd Reserves v Crewkerne Rangers
DIVISION THREE
Lyme Regis Rovers v Merriott Dynamos
Misterton Reserves v Fivehead

Top scorers;
Premier
38 - Rich Hebditch (Beaminster).
16 - Ryan Legg (Waytown Hounds),
14 - Andy Whitefield (Barrington), George Hayward (Barrington).
12 - Jamie Spurdle (Misterton), Jack Blunn (Misterton).

Division One
36 - James Melville (Hawkhurst Utd).
19 - Jon Legg (Waytown Hounds).
18 - Robbie Walker (Forton Rangers).
17 - Jack Steer (Merriott Rovers).
16 - Andy Stevenson (Forton Rangers), T.Hussey (Pymore).
15 - Jordan Brain (Shepton Beau Res).
14 - Nick Mortimer (Merriott Rovers), Gavin Herrod (Hawkhurst Utd).

Division Two
31 - Mark Cawley (Halstock).
17 - John Allan (Winsham Utd Res).
16 - Scott Marshall (Chard Rangers).

Division Three
47 - Callum Preston (Misterton Res).
28 - Pete Peacock (Lyme Regis Rovers).
26 - Stuart Packer (Forton Rangers Res),
25 - Stuart Weston (Misterton Res).
18 - Jack Alford (Forton Rangers Res),
15 - Jonnie Harris (Uplymere Res).
14 - Ajay Evans (Chard Rangers Res).
13 - Ryan Smith (Uplymere Res).
12 - Frank Harris (Uplymere Res), Kev Cavanagh (Chard Rangers Res).

Bridport & WD Golf

George the first

AFTER their game was cancelled last week due to adverse weather conditions, the veterans enjoyed the best day of the week last Thursday for their competition.

The weather was fine and sunny though the wind resulted in, on the whole, modest scoring.

It didn't seem to trouble George Brown in Division One whose nett score of 68 gave him a five-shot lead over second man (acb) Marcus Beresford with a nett 73 and awarded him a one shot handicap reduction. He also carded the best gross score.

The best score in Division Two was Karl Rogers' nett 72 who also received a one shot handicap cut. And being the day after St.David's day the next 4 places were all taken by Davids!

Results
Division One - 1st George Brown 80-12=68, 2nd (acb) Marcus Beresford 88-15=73, 3rd Roy Gill 86-13=73, 4th Bryan Holmes 91-17=74.

Division Two - 1st Karl Rogers 93-21=72, 2nd (acb) Dave Cole 102-27=75, 3rd Dave Buckland 96-21=75, 4th Dave Boggis 98-21=77 (after count-back from Dave Smith).

The men's Sunday competition was cancelled as the course was closed due to recent prolonged rain.

Meanwhile, The Saturday and Tuesday Ladies played a Hidden Partners competition, the last competition over a reduced course.

The winners with 45 points were Sue Winkle & Ruth Donovan, runners up were Pat Tolin & Judy Walters (43), third on count back were Pauline Mackie & Heather Boyle (42) from fourth-placed Jane White & Lyn Jessopp (also 42).

Lyme Regis Golf

Mannie by three

MANNIE Wellman had a blistering front nine in the Junior Stableford, scoring 22 points which formed the solid base for him winning well with 39 points. Cameron Moss conjured up some good recovery shots playing to his six handicap and finished second with 36.

Jacob Searle also made the rostrum with 34 points. The Ladies March Medal Division One was a close affair with Rosie Jackman consolidating a good front nine to win with a nett 77. Jane Dixon had a wonderful back nine to take second on countback from Susan Moore, both with 78.

Division Two was even closer with the top three all finishing on nett 82, but a superior back nine from Margaret Slater ensured she won ahead of Sandra Barclay in second and Sheila Claringbold in third.

Coffee Morning

THE Ladies section are holding an Easter Fayre and Lady Captain's Coffee Morning in aid of Alzheimer's Research UK on Tuesday (March 14th) from 10am until noon.

There will be plenty of stalls including a raffle, bottle tombola, cakes and home produce, plants, books and dvd's, and jewellery, scarves and preloved items of clothing. Entrance is £2.50 which includes tea/coffee and biscuit. Visitors and members are welcome to attend this social annual event.



■ **GREAT DAY AT GRAND PRIX:** Around 30 Sir Colfox Academy athletes travelled to the recent Muller Grand Prix at the Birmingham Barclay Card Arena. Head coach Andy David said: "It was a brilliant day and we were fortunate to see Laura Muir break the British 100m record and Mo Farah break his own indoor 5000m European record. He was so happy that he asked to have a selfie with us!"



Bridport Rugby

Big win, but huge test to come

Bridport 74 Lychett Minster 5
Dorset & Wilts Division Two (S)

WITH only three games played since Christmas due to two clubs cancelling matches, this game versus Lychett 2nds was one that the Bridport players really needed to play for match fitness and practice writes *Stuart Briggs*.

The game was originally due to be played in November but was cancelled when Lychett could not raise a team.

Thankfully they were able to fulfil the fixture this time, albeit arriving with only 12 players.

Bridport loaned them three in the spirit of the game that enabled the match to be played with 15-a-side.

Bridport were soon in the ascendancy with backs and forwards combining well to score

three tries inside the first 20 minutes.

Poor handling after the last restart gave Lychett time inside Bridport's 22 and their pressure told with a try in the corner, ironically scored by one of the loaned Bridport players!

Injuries soon after meant that scrums were played uncontested and Bridport's superiority forced errors from the Lychett defence and a further three tries were scored before half time.

The story was the same in the second half with Bridport forcing many turnovers and running in six unopposed tries.

The result maintained the Blues' third place in the league table.

Whilst the match time was valuable to the players, the Dorset & Wilts League two South has be-



■ **CHAMPS:** The Junior schools tag festival winners St Catherines School, Bridport pictured with Bridport Mayor Cllr Ros Kayes

come a little uncompetitive with many clubs finding it difficult to run more than one team.

Therefore, for the Blues, the drive for promotion to the higher league is imperative to give them regular competitive league games next season.

However, they will face a much tougher test next Saturday at home to Wheatheaf Cabin Crew who lie one place below them in the league.

This game will follow the clubs VP lunch at midday followed by the six nations games on TV.

Tag tournament attracts 12 schools

Bridport Rugby Club held its annual schools Tag rugby festival for junior schools sponsored by Morrisons supermarket last Saturday with 12 local schools taking part when over 100 girls and boys took part in mixed teams, battling it out on three pitches.

After very competitive group games, Greenford and St Cather-

ine schools met in the final having both come through very tight semi-finals.

In a closely fought final, where the score ebbed one way then the other, St Catherines eventually won by six tries to four.

Bridport Mayor, Cllr Ros Kayes presented the trophies.

All credit to club's young qualified referee Louis Brown for organising the event.

Bridport U13 2 Taunton 4

WITH six local teams unable to field teams, Taunton agreed to visit at short notice.

Taunton's ability to steal loose ball and support the carrier enabled them to score first, but this was answered by a magnificent Bridport team try, which put wing Will Newton over in the corner.

Back came Taunton with two tries, but fast ball from scrum half Joe Styryn enabled Oliver Hansford-Harvey to speed over in the corner.

But Taunton's continuous powerful support play took them to a 4-2 victory.

Gig Racing

Tempest delivers at Saltash for Lyme

LYME Regis Gig Club started the new gig rowing season in fine form at the traditional season opener at Saltash.

The Three Rivers Race features 80 crews giving a good test and a measure of how all those long hours of winter training have gone.

The race is around seven miles long, taking around one hour to complete.

Lyme entered two crews in the ladies race. The ladies A crew, rowing Tempest overtook a number of crews in the latter part of the race, including local rivals Bridport A, to finish in a club best of 24th. A healthy rivalry beckons this season between these two friendly local crews.

The ladies B crew, rowing Black Ven, knocked well over three minutes off last year's time.

Lyme entered three crews in the Men's category. The A crew, rowing Tempest, had a rapid start then settled into 11th position.

The B crew had a solid row, with a trio of Three Rivers debutants and one competing his

first ever race, and they hauled in some notable scalps, including Cotehele Quay A, in what was a very strong finish in 32nd position.

Finally the C crew in Rebel, had an outstanding performance from the outset, breaking free of the pack with only two B teams to keep them company for the remainder of the course. A controlled row would saw the Lyme crew hold their own against the B crews of Torridge and Salcombe to finish 57th.

The combined results put Tempest in 12th place overall, a club best for Lyme.

The club now focus on eight weeks of training towards the World Championships on the Isles of Scilly at the end of April where they will enter seven crews.

The club are always keen to welcome new members, no experience required. Contact the club via www.lymeregigclub.com

Bridport Gig Club hold open morning on Sunday

BRIDPORT gig rowing club are holding an open morning on Sunday (March 12th) with taster rowing.

Bacon baps, tea, coffee and cake will be offered at the Salthouse, West Bay from 8am to 1pm. Taster rows will take place between 10.30am and 1pm when the club's three boats, Bucky Doo, Dagger and Blaez will be on the water.

Rows will last approximately half an hour. Gig rowing is open to all ages and no prior rowing experience is necessary. Sports clothes and trainers are recommended for taster rows.

The club offers general rowing and competitive squad rowing for adults and juniors throughout the year along with various levels of membership. For more information please visit the website: www.bridportgigclub.org.

Bees news

Bridport continue promotion push

Portland Town B 0
Bridport A 2
Dorset Division Four

QUICK thinking by Bridport A manager Mark Scadding ensured his charges didn't endure another blank weekend after it appeared certain that their home fixture with Portland B would be called off due to a waterlogged pitch.

Scadding arranged for the game to be switched to Portland, and despite a rather tired looking pitch at

the Ricol Leisure Arena, his foresight worked as the young Bees side won 2-0.

With neither leaders Swanage RBL or second placed Corfe Castle Reserves playing, it meant that Bridport closed the gap.

Corfe are now only two points ahead but have played three games more, and even if Swanage win their last three remaining fixtures, Bridport need just 16 points from eight games to claim the title.

Playing against the elements in the first half the Bees defence were under constant pressure from a series of long balls, but the visitors showed maturity beyond their years, none more than mom Jamie Herbert and captain Callum Middleton.

Despite the wind, Bridport created and failed to take the numerous chances they created and the first half finished goalless.

The second half saw more of the

same and Bridport soon Bridport took the lead from a Josh Hunter volley.

The visitors pushed and really took control with Jordon Scadding in the Bridport goal nothing but a spectator for long periods.

The introduction of Harry Fleet, returning to fitness, soon helped set up a fine attack that saw an Rhys Hughes-Williams add a second with a shot into the bottom corner.

Dorch Snooker

Shakey shaken

RESULTS; WDC Team Shaky 3 WDC YMFMT 4, Colliton XQ 2016 4 Purbeck Potters 3, WDC Whipping Boys 3 West Dorset Club A 5, Colliton Hopefuls v Trinity M (to finish, score so far = 3-3), Trinity M 5 Colliton XQ 2016 2.

Top Breaks; M Beale 33; G Bartlett 29; M Pike 26 24; C Matthews 26

Top Break of the Season; Evan Wellman (West Dorset Club A) 65. **Team Open Knock Out Cup Final;** West Dorset Club A v Trinity M - Monday, March 27th at Trinity Club.

Team Handicap Knock Out Cup Final; West Dorset Club A v Trinity M - Monday, March 30th at Trinity Club.

Rearranged matches; Purbeck Potters v WDC Whipping Boys (March 13th),

West Dorset Club A v Colliton Hopefuls (March 15th),

Colliton XQ 2016 v WDC Team Shaky (March 20th),

WDC Whipping Boys v Trinity M (March 22nd),

WDC Whipping Boys v Trinity M (April 4th),

West Dorset Club A v Colliton Hopefuls (April 5th),

WDC YMFMT v Colliton Hopefuls (Being rearranged by team captains),

WDC YMFMT v West Dorset Club A to finish - score so far 3-2,

Colliton Hopefuls v Trinity M to finish - score so far 3-3.

Table (week 18)	Pld	Pts
WDorset Club A.....	15	69
Colliton XQ2016.....	17	68
WDC Team Shaky.....	17	61
Purbeck Potters.....	17	60
Colliton Hopefuls.....	14	59
Trinity M.....	16	57
WDC YMFMT.....	16	53
WDC Whipping B.....	16	32

Table Tennis

Shipton B maintain pressure at the top

SHIPTON Gorge B remain nicely placed in Division Two after a convincing 28-7 win over bottom side Colliton C and are now just four points behind leaders Pilgrims A with three games in-hand.

Their biggest title challengers appear to be All Saints who are just a point behind but have played a game more. It may go to the wire when the two meet in the final match of the season.

Preston A closed the gap on All Saints after a thrilling 21-20 win over Shipton Gorge C.

Locked at 18-18 going in to the doubles it was Eddie Chapman (5) and Simon Green (9) that secured the win for Preston with a fifth set win over Dan Corren (6) and Tom Baldry (7).

Shipton Gorge A won their midtable clash with Preston B 18-21 with Miranda Edwardes (8) top scoring for Shipton.

Lyme Regis Skittles

CUP results from w/e March 4th
Ladies George Nomination Cup: Generations 146 Smashers 173.

Ladies Bob Sweetland Cup Semi Final: Wootton Wobblers b Wild Pins (Game given)

Cawston All Cup Quarter Finals: La Crème 331 Wootton Wobblers 311, No Hoppers 363 Marksmen 325, Anthill Mob 319 President's Men 342, Flyers 297 Roadrunners 370.

Details of upcoming Cup fixtures and rearranged games;

Monday 13th March Ladies Doug Clark Cup Semi Finals: Wootton Wobblers v Smashers, Hot Gossips v La Crème.

Wednesday, March 15th Cornish Cup Quarter Finals: Shakers v Clueless, No Hoppers v Flyers.

Friday, March 17th Cornish Cup Quarter Finals: Marksmen v British Legion, Anthill Mob v President's Men.

Monday, March 20th Ladies George Nomination Cup Semi Finals: Wild Pins v La Crème, Wootton Wobblers v Smashers.

Monday, March 27th Hot Gossips v La Crème (rearranged league game).

Wednesday, March 29th Men's Div 2 Curtis Nomination Cup Semi Final: Alleytwits v President's Men.

Friday, March 31st Men's Bob Sweetland Cup Quarter Finals;

Young Guns v No Hoppers, British Legion v Clueless, Rousdon Rebels v Roadrunners, Flyers v Trappers.

Monday, April 3rd Hot Gossips v Wild Pins (rearranged league game).

Wednesday, April 5th Men's Palmer Cup Quarter Finals: President's Men v Marksmen (PILOT BOAT), Wreckers v Clueless (ROCK POINT).

Friday, April 7th Men's Palmer Cup Quarter Finals: Tornadoes v Alleytwits (ROCK POINT), Rousdon Rebels v Roadrunners (ROUSDON).

Men's Div 1 George Nomination Cup Semi Finals: No Hoppers v Trappers (PILOT BOAT), Flyers v Clueless (WOOTTON).

Wednesday, April 12th Men's Pairs Semi Finals
ROCK POINT: K Trott & I Locke; P Liston & P Rattenbury; N Chapman & J Chapman; M Saunders & T Wallis; J Broome & T Mayers; P Grinter & L Dare; S Shaw & G Kent; A Rattenbury & J Fry.

SHIP: A Trott & D Rowe; J Sims & B Rattenbury; M Croad & R Bevis; C Kapur & T Eaton; R Bovill & S Smith; P Hodder & L Hodder; N Bearpark & S Beal; P Bright & R Chappel.

Thursday, April 13th No Hoppers v Trappers (rearranged league game), Young Guns v Clueless (rearranged league game).

Bridport Darts

Division One	Pld	Pts
Rob's Robbers	15	29
Well Hung Clocks	14	20
BSC	15	20
Nomads	15	20
Five Sticky Fingers	15	17
Hands of Time	15	14
Noth'n But Treble	15	10
Nags Head A	15	7
Nags Miserables	15	7
Rubber Johns	14	4
180s: Tony Young 9, Terry Prowse 7, Nigel Lamb, Alan Parker, Mark Munro & Ryan Cross all x4, seven players x3, seven players x2, 22 players x1.		

Division Two	Pld	Pts
The Stingers	15	24
Young Darters	15	22
One for the Vikings	15	21
Odds or Us	14	20
Respect-de-Bull	14	18
Elders	15	16
Other Rotters	14	7
Anchor Five	15	7
Dat Team	14	6
No Direction	15	5
180s: Ashley Parker & Stuart Alner both 4, Andy Reid 3, Ashley Parker, Simon Moye & Dan Rawlings all x2, 12 players x1.		

Division Three	Pld	Pts
Mis Fits	15	24
Poachers	15	23
Dart Vaders	15	20
The Surgeons	15	19
Midnight Runners	15	16
Tiger Bees	15	13
Anchor Vale Viewers	15	11
Flashes Fives	15	11
Royal Hawks	15	7

Time Bombs	15	6
180s: Paul Gumbrell 3, Danny Sorrell 2, Len Challis, Ash Hawker, Alistair Coutts,		
S Bowditch, P Rowley, Howard Sellick, Graham Gumbrell & all 1.		

Division Four	Pld	Pts
Wicked Team Name	15	24
No Chance	15	23
Dodgers	15	19
Whamo	15	17
-1-11	15	17
The Nameless	14	16
Odds & Sods	14	10
Sorted Odds	15	10
Hopeful Bashers	15	9
The Royal Nuts	13	1

Ladies Div One	Pld	Pts
Anchor Aces	15	40
Arrows Awry	21	32
Queens Bees	21	32
Sue's Rebels	21	28
Clocking On	21	27
Odd One Out	21	27
Queenies of the Club	21	23
Castaways	21	18
Against the Odds	21	15
Charlie's Angels	21	16
Don's Damels	21	12
Good Mates	21	10
Tiger Stripes	21	7
Drinking Janet	21	7
180s: Janet Collins, Sue Brock, Liz Vowells & Kate Lousby all 1.		

West Dorset Hockey

Hawks hold leaders with gritty display

West Dorset Hawks 3 Chard 3

ON paper this looked like an easy three points for leaders Chard who, having scored 96 goals in 18 games, and having conceded a miserly 26, looked odds on winners against a slightly under strength Hawks side that had lost their last three matches.

However, with West Dorset desperate to stop the slide, they started with a very defensive line-up to frustrate the visitors.

But they fell behind to a very unfortunate goal from a short corner, the umpires missing the fact the ball struck the stopper's foot before it was driven home.

Russell Coombs, deputising as captain for Rick Steele who was playing for the A team, rallied his troops and they instantly equalised.

Alex Davies' run ended in a short corner from which Dan Wyatt thundered home from the top of the D.

The same pair combined again soon after to put the Hawks ahead. Davies, having once again won a short corner, was cleverly played in by Wyatt to wrong foot the Chard defence and he swept the ball home.

Having beaten the Hawks 6-0 in the reverse fixture, Chard were becoming agitated as the second half started, but they drew level again when some superb play from the visiting striker resulted in a penalty flick for feet which was duly despatched.

Still unable to get the better of the Hawks, Chard became frustrated, and the umpires did well to keep control as some found their way into the sin bin.

A superb tackle from Matthew Keeping set up West Dorset's third 10 minutes from time. His

inch perfect pass found Davies who deftly flicked home to complete his hat trick.

Desperate to hold off Penzance for the Southern Two title, Chard threw the kitchen sink at West Dorset in the final minutes and were once again the beneficiary of good luck when the ball just brushed the toe of Julian May as he went to intercept, and they converted the resultant short corner.

Coombs was elated with his side's performance: "To hold the league leaders to a draw was superb. We showed great spirit to the end, and to score three against such a strong defence was excellent."

Southern Two	Pld	Pts
Chard	19	47
Penzance	19	45
Plymouth Uni A	19	43
Bude	18	37
Camborne School of Mines	18	35
Caradon	19	24
PGSOB A	19	22
Bridgwater A	19	22
WEST DORSET	19	22
ECV Hornets	19	19
Taunton Vale C	19	7
Devonport Services	19	3

Students too slick

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LIKE the first team, West Dorset A found themselves facing a tough test after three defeats in a row.

Uni are second, just a point behind leaders Tiverton and having already scored over 100 goals in 14 matches and conceding just eight, it

Forsyth has golden springs!

WOOLBRIDGE Motor Club returned to the challenging venue of Woolminstone near Crewkerne for the first rounds of the 2017 Motor Sports Association British Championship, the British Trial and Rally Drivers national series as well as the Association of South West Motor Clubs.

The start of the new season saw heavy rain, hail and high winds testing the drivers with continually changing ground conditions.

The event comprised of two divisions. One catering for drivers who were contesting the national championships and another for the local clubmen.

The front wheel drive (no ballast) class in the clubman division saw the class victory go to Jez Searle in his Peugeot 106.

Searle was in good form from the off and was five points up on Dave Atkins and Robert North in their larger engined Citroen Saxo on the first session.

Atkins closed the gap to four points at the conclusion of the first round of tests but was unable to make further progress during the second round and went into lunch six marks in arrears with

North a further three down. Searle secured his lead during the six tests that comprised round three and then annihilated his challengers on the final two tests to finish on 154 penalties with Atkins trailing by 22 points.

North showed how well matched the Saxo pair were completing 20 sections just four points adrift of the second place finisher.

The ballasted front wheel drive class attracted the biggest entry of all the categories in addition to providing the winner of the clubman event in the form of November victor Jim Forsyth.

Immediately after the start the Bournemouth driver had to deal with a challenge form Weymouth's Will Lawrence. Both were equipped with Citroen Saxos but Lawrence and his driving partner Dan Chazal were giving away 476cc but that did not hinder Lawrence during the first round of tests at the end of which he saw him level with Forsyth on 38 penalties.

The second round saw Forsyth eke out an advantage of two which had grown to twelve by the end of the event.

The third in class award also went to a Wey-

mouth driver in the form of Graham Blake. The

Westfield hill climb driver taking the final position on the class podium in a Peugeot 106 Rallye which is pressed into service as a trials car during the winter months but will return to hill climb specification for the Woolbridge club's first hill climb of the season at Wiscombe Park in April.

Another award was bound for Weymouth in the hands of Dan Chazal who claimed the Junior Driver (under 23) accolade.

A two way battle in the sports car class between Alan Foster and Alastair Stevenson from Weymouth concluded with just 16 points deciding the verdict in favour of the former in his Morgan V8 over the local driver's MG TD.

Bere Regis residents Dominic Bishop and Julien Lightfoot enjoyed the closest fought competition of the day as they contested the specials category with the recently acquired SRB chassis. Both drivers enjoyed a battle with Bishop dropping 62 penalties and winning by a mere three points.

See photos from the event and details of the national championships on our website www.viewnews.co.uk

Indoor Bowls

Brilliant victory sees Bridport in Over 60s county final

BRIDPORT Men's A team are through to the final of the Dorset Over 60s competition after a superb 44-34 win against the Isle of Purbeck, but now face the monumental task of beating Dolphin A who defeated their B team in the other semi-final.

The final will be played at Waterloo Road, home of the Dolphins on a date yet to be announced. Played at the neutral venue of Dorchester, the match against IoP contained a number of twists and turns.

Brian Baker, Ken Sanger & Mike Fletcher led 7-4, and Barry Mapson, Mel Griffiths & captain Phil Hedges led 7-1, but Purbeck turned it around by end 10 with Fletcher pegged back to 11-9 and Hedges falling behind 9-15. However, the next four ends saw Bridport surge ahead again scoring 19 shots to Purbeck's two to end their opponents hopes.

Baker said: "We would have hoped for a neutral venue for the final but the county finals are always played at the current President's club. But we are confident we can go there and snatch a win; a lot will depend on our kingpins Phil Hedges and Mike Fletcher, they are our Bobby Moore and Bobby Charlton, and have been brilliant over the whole campaign".

Beryl Stork, Peter Carnell, Robin Pither & Gerry Moss, and Sylvia Fletcher, Harry Gray & Peter Varney shared the top rink award against the Nomads in their Four Rink Mixed Friendly winning

16-12 and 21-17 respectively. Sue and David Jenkin, Sandra Hargett & Bob Hill finished 2-4 to draw 17-17 but Nomads won the match 71-64 as Bernard Perry, Penny Pither, Nova Varney & David Aylott were beaten 11-25.

Moonfleet A 47 Bournemouth A 47

THE Ladies A team had a mixed game against visitors Bournemouth A in the Ladies County league.

June Searle, Helen Monelle, Chris Thompson & skip Margaret Crawford had a challenging game against the visitors under skip J Halliwell.

Bournemouth took control of the first half and by end seven led 15-0.

Moonfleet came to life over the next four ends and, with five shots gained on end nine, were lying only five shots behind at 10-15.

But eight shots to the visitors on the next two ends put them back in the driving seat and, although the final eight ends were evenly split, the lead was too great and the home rink went down 16-30.

The other Moonfleet rink of Mairi Mathie, Chris Rod, Anne Chislett & skip Kath Desmond moved into a commanding early lead helped along with an impressive six-shot haul on the second end against the Bournemouth rink with skip J Bryant.

By end 11 the hosts were lying 18-7 ahead and, with the exception of two ends each resulting in

five shots to Bournemouth, the Moonfleet quartet dominated the remainder of the match to claim a stunning 31-17 victory and an overall 47-47 draw.

Moonfleet B 40 Isle of Purbeck 26

MOONFLEET B entertained The Isle of Purbeck in the Ladies County league in what was to be the last time Isle of Purbeck will play in the league as the club has sadly closed.

Pam Hayward, Ann Sherman, Heather Gillingham & skip Sheila Escott quickly took control and, by end 10 had moved into a 13-5 lead against the Purbeck rink under skip D Seacombe.

During the second half of the game the visitors failed to make any impression on the early lead and the hosts claimed a comfortable 23-10 victory.

On the other rink Mary Dunne, Julie Watts, Sue Paull & skip Jill Gwilliam also took control of the early stages of the game and by end seven were 9-2 ahead against the visitors skipped by U Keats.

The Purbeck rink then won the next five ends and, by end 12 had levelled at 9-9.

Control then passed back to the hosts who moved into a 16-9 lead over the next four ends. However, the IoP quartet went up a gear and levelled the score at 16-16 by the penultimate end.

As the final eight bowls were delivered the tension mounted and, with one shot gained Moonfleet breathed a sigh of relief with a 17-16 win and an overall 40-26 total.

Bridport Skittles

UPCOMING cup fixtures
Mixed Nomination Individual Final

Tuesday, March 14th BRADPOLE CLUB - S Pitcher; L Dare; R Pincombe; D Cowburn; M Horton; H Mills; G Brooks; A Caudwell.

Ladies Nomination Individual Final

Wednesday, March 15th TIGER - S Yeatman; C Lambert; S Luter; S Newman; C Huxter; J Cack; Legg; J Symes.

Division A	Pld	Pts
Shipaced	14	27
Rockets	14	20
Rejects	14	17
Denhay	14	16
Masters	12	13
Nelson Nobblers	13	12
Rough Eight	14	12
Wanderers	13	12
Broadoak	14	10
Slingers	13	9
U Know the Bokes	13	8
Lively Lads	14	6

Division B	Pld	Pts
Miss the Ball	13	18
The Dingles	13	17
Countrymen	13	14
Originals	12	14
Survivors	13	14
Outsiders	13	13
Bangers	13	12
Lost in Time	12	12
Castouts	13	10
Dingbats	11	10
Aussies Lot	12	4

Division C	Pld	Pts
Gerrytrics	14	24
NBC	13	20
Pioneers	14	20
LHS	14	18
Wickers	13	18
Whiskey Chasers	13	14
Unknowns	12	12
Stingers	14	11
Brandy Snaps	13	8
Groundhogs	13	8
Yo Yo's	14	7

Division D	Pld	Pts
Alcoholics	14	28
Strawpeedoes	13	22
BFC	14	20
Alleycats	14	18
Featherbeds	13	18
Hidden Talent	12	10
Let em Roll	12	10
Firebirds	13	8
Offcuts	12	6
Pinbashers	11	6

Lyme Regis Pool

Table	Pld	Pts
Pot Nots	13	30
Woz's Warriors	11	27
Smack the Rack	13	25
Hunters Hot Pots	11	21
Old Cobbies	11	18
Drunken Sailors	11	16
Nags Head Trotters	12	12
Real Talbot	12	6
Ranger & Friends	10	3

Lyme Regis darts

Current table	Pld	Pts
Rousdon Club	14	28
Clockadoodleoo	16	25
Nags Head A	12	21
Nags Z	13	17
Hunters Lodge	13	16
Royal Standard	15	14
Rock Point A	10	14
Four Play	12	8
Talbot Arms	11	8
Janners	12	5
Cobb Arms	11	4
Half an Octopus	13	4
See you Next Thurs	12	2
180s: R Cross 6, T Prowse 5, T Young 4, T Bond, D Herbert & R Poveall all 3, R Coombe, G Knight & B Grainger all 2, 12 players x1.		

Beam & Brid Pool

Table	Pld	Pts
Kingzmen	15	91
We Need Help	15	86
Poolgans	15	85
Pocket Rockets	15	81
Ringers	15	80
Longshots	15	80
Brake Failures	15	73
Heads Up	15	70
Bradpole Club	15	63
Nothing Like Us	15	4

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Seasiders away day struggles continue

A FIFTH defeat on their travels has left Lyme Regis with an uphill task if they are to clinch a top three finish in the Devon & Exeter Division One.

The Seasiders latest defeat, the third in row, came in a 2-0 defeat at Sidmouth Town Reserves at their Manstone Road on Saturday.

In a game of few chances, Lyme were trailing 1-0 when Rob Fellingham had a penalty saved by Vikings' keeper Adam Bartlett on the cusp of half time and, with their creative players firing on empty, they never really looked like getting back into the game before the hosts added a late second follow-

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ing an error by keeper Lee Cleal.

The defeat sees Lyme, with just four matches remaining, drop to sixth in the table ahead of Saturday's trip to ninth-placed Alington Reserves.

Lyme Regis Reserves and Lyme Rovers both had their games called off due to waterlogging at the Davey Fort and Woodroffe.

The Lyme second string return to action next Saturday when they will be bidding to reach the club's first ever D&E affiliated cup final when they welcome division six colleagues Stoke Hill in a Football Express semi-final (2pm ko).

The Rovers are due to entertain Merriott Dynamos in a Perry Street

League Division Three fixture (2.30ko), while Uplyme, who also had their game washed out on Saturday, are due to welcome Thorncombe next weekend in a Daisy Hutchings cup quarter final (2pm).

Elsewhere, dreams of a Uplyme Reserves v Lyme Regis Rovers Bill Bailey cup final perished when the Swallows' second string slipped to a 4-0 semi final defeat at Forton Reserves.

Stu Wooster's team has Reg Egdon Cup quarter final at Ilminster Town A in their sights on Saturday.

Finally, a surprise 2-1 home defeat at the hands of lowly Kingsbury looks to have all-but ended CHARMOUTH's hopes of promotion back to the PSDI Division One.

The Robins will look to bounce back in a Ken Hodges Cup quarter final at Farway United next weekend.



◆ **BEST CHANCE:** Sidmouth keeper Adam Barrett easily gathers Rob Fellingham's penalty just before half time.
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◆ **WOODWORK:** Substitute Fred Parsons' (out of photo) cross clips the top of the Sidmouth Reserves crossbar with Julien Simier (14) waiting to pounce Photo by **HOWARD LARCOMBE**

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